

TERRA JUSTICE PRESENTS

BOOK OF THE YEAR 1963





A LOOK BACK AT 1963

It was a great year for professional wrestling.

Florida fans were treated early to a rivalry between two of the sport's all-time greatest villain team's, managed by two of wrestling's immortals:

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(From Tampa, Florida ad for card January 22, 1963)

WORLD TAG TEAM CHAMP KANGAROOS



HEFFERNAN COSTELLO

ROY HEFFERNAN & AL COSTELLO

Mgd. By
WILD
RED
BERRY
vs.
KURT
and
KARL
VON
BRAUNER
Mgd. By
SAUL
WEIN-
GEROFF



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In Texas, meanwhile, two very well-known grapplers had a tense rivalry. Both have since passed away, but their sons carry on the fine traditions of their fathers. The sons are Dory Funk, Jr. and Terry Funk, both former N.W.A.

World Champions; and Ted DiBaise, whose dad competed under the name Iron Mike with the last name sometimes included. For some unknown reason, newspaper ads such as the one below often would misspell Dory, Sr.'s first name:

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(From Lubbock, Texas ad for card January 23, 1963)

DOUBLE MAIN EVENT

1st MAIN EVENT



DORK FUNK
vs.
IRON MIKE

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Lou Thesz captured his sixth N.W.A. World title early in the year and successfully defended it against his predecessor, Buddy Rogers, in a rematch in Toronto, this time two out of three falls. The W.W.W.F. people refused to recognize Thesz after the first meeting in Toronto on the basis of it being a one fall match. Why they failed to give him recognition after the return bout is anyone's guess. The fact remains that after beating Rogers a second time, Thesz returned to Toronto and defeated Bruno Sammartino, who LATER defeated Rogers in New York City's Madison Square Garden to claim the W.W.W.F. belt.

Interestingly, on the card headlined by the Thesz-Rogers return title bout, Sammartino appeared in a tag team match partnered with Gino Marella. Who is Gino Marella? He's the heavyweight who later gained fame and fortune as Gorilla Monsoon. Although he and Bruno were partners this night, many months later would begin a lengthy rivalry between the two in the W.W.W.F. rings.

WORLD TITLE

2 Out Of 3 Falls — No Curfew



LOU THESZ

LOU
THESZ

CHAMPION

VS.

BUDDY

ROGERS

CHALLENGER

— TEAM BOUT —

Bulldog Brower and Tara Sakuro vs.
Bruno Sammartino and Gino Marella

Johnny Valentine vs. Sam Steamboat

Fred Atkins vs. The Beast

Hans Schmidt vs. Red Lyons

Stan Stasiak vs. John Paul Henning

Jim Hady vs. Buddy Austin

(From Toronto, Ontario ad
for card Feb. 7, 1963)

In the Buffalo, New York area a situation arose that could be confusing when looked back upon. Two strongmen, The Beast and The Mongol, feuded. The Mongol was managed by a wrestler known as Nicoli Volkoff. Years later, a matman different than any of these (much bigger for one thing) began competing in the W.W.W.F. rings under the name of Beppo Mongol. This same individual would later change his ring name to Nicoli Volkoff and again compete in the W.W.W.F. area. Some sharp-eyed fans recognized him as being the same person who had been half of a tag team called The Mongols. The other

member of that team was NOT, however, the same Mongol that appeared in Buffalo but a third different person. Confused?

THE NICOLI
MONGOL & VOLKOFF

VS.
THE MARTINO
BEAST & ANGELO



THE MOST UNIQUE WRESTLING
FEATURE EVER BROUGHT TO
BUFFALO — MONGOLIAN
HEAVYWEIGHT AND AIDE
TAKE ON BEARDED SICILIAN
AND ADVISOR.

(From Buffalo, N. Y. ad for
card February 8, 1963)

Detroit, Michigan fans were treated to one of the most publicized pro-wrestling matches in years between former football stars Alex Karras and Dick The Bruiser Afflis. Ironically in the late 70's, Karras played the part of a pro-wrestler in a TV movie called "Mad Bull".

(From Detroit, Michigan
ad for card Apr. 27, 1963)

DON'T
MISS
IT!



Alex
KARRAS
VS.
Dick the
BRUISER

INCLUDING WORLD CHAMP

LOU THESZ

VS. DR. BIG BILL MILLER

MARK LEWIN VS. RAY STEVENS

VON ERICH VS. SKYSCRAPER EVANS

BOB STANLEY VS. ARGENTINA BOCCA

EMIL DUPRE VS. HANS SCHMIDT

JIM HADY VS. STEVE STANLEY

Longtime favorite Chief Don Eagle was persuaded by Promotor Pedro Martinez to come out of retirement for one last series of matches in Buffalo, N.Y.

(From Buffalo, N. Y. ad for card May 17, 1963)

EAGLE vs. BEAST

PRESTIGE OF VICTORY.
DANCING MOHAWK INDIAN
AT STAKE IN TEST AGAINST
SICILIAN HERCULES.



ROCCA vs. GARVIN

VON ERICH & VALENTINE

vs.

YUKON ERIC & LYONS

4 TOP MIDGETS

Then came a rare occurrence.
A feud in Florida resulted in the voluntary unmasking of Len Rossi

(From Jacksonville, Fla. ad for card May 23, 1963)

THOUSANDS
HAVE REQUESTED
EVERYTHING GOES
NOTHING BARRED
CRUSADER No. 1
vs.
GENTLEMAN SAUL



**GENTLEMAN SAUL CAUGHT
IN SQUEEZE PLAY.**

Saul called the Crusader a hood'lum because he wore a mask while wrestling and said he would wrestle him only if he removed the mask. The Crusader surprised Saul by agreeing to remove the mask so as he could get him in the ring and get revenge for Saul's crippling of his partner last month.

Two other masked men in Florida had their work cut out for them in a feud with two gigantic powerhouses.

(From Tampa, Florida ad for card August 6, 1963)

TEAM MATCH



LUKE JAKE
KENTUCKIANS
7-FOOT
JAKE SMITH
6-9
LUKE BROWN
vs.
THE ASSASSINS



THE ASSASSINS

Atlantic City fans were treated to a rematch (although in a tag team match) of two bitter rivals.

(From Atlantic City, N. J. article for card Aug. 24, 1963)

Bruno Sammartino, Current world wrestling champion, and Bobo Brazil, recognized as the United States title-holder, will combine their ring talents in an effort to snap the winning streak of Buddy Rogers, ex-champion, and "Handsome" Johnny Barend, in the tag team windup of the wrestling program tonight at Convention Hall.

The match will also pair Rogers, of Camden, N.J.; and his conqueror, Sammartino, against each other for the first time since the 265 pound Pittsburgh Italian dethroned Rogers as the heavyweight champion before a sell-out crowd at Madison Square Garden on May 17, in just 48 seconds.


In Hawaii, a masked man took over the honors as chief villain of the islands.

(From Honolulu, Hawaii ad for card August 28, 1963)

MAIN EVENT

GRUDGE MATCH


TO A FINISH



EXECUTIONER

vs.

CASSIDY



TAG MATCH

BRUISER & TOGO

vs.

BLEARS & BOCK

LUCKY vs. FUJIWARA

MAIAYA vs. MACERA

An A.W.A. titleholder made a rare visit to Texas to meet an up-and-coming young star.

WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP

VERNE GAGNE

(AWA CHAMPION)

VS.

DORY FUNK JR.

(Item in lower left corner from Lubbock, Texas ad for card Oct. 2, 1963)

Black men were a novel item in the Florida rings, allowed at this time to compete only against each other.

(From Jacksonville, Florida ad for card October 17, 1963)

COLORED


MEN

WRESTLERS

BOBO

BRAZIL

275 Lbs., 6'5"




VS.

ROOSEVELT

TINY

HAMPTON

245 Lbs., 6'4"



North Carolina fans were treated to some good talent this year, too.

(From Raleigh, North Carolina ad for card October 29, 1963)

Double Main Event

Sensational



Cowboy

BOB ELLIS

vs.

Big Ike

EAKINS

Rip HAWK & Swede HANSON

vs.

Al & Ramon TORRES

Back to Florida, Mark Lewin used two old long-time acquaintances of his as partners in a grudge with those masked villains.

THE ASSASSINS



VS.
MARK LEWIN
AND
DON LEWIN



The Return of DON CURTIS

DON CURTIS
AND
MARK LEWIN



VS.
THE ASSASSINS



(Both are from Jacksonville, Fla. ads. One on left is for card of Oct. 31, 1963; one on right is from card of Nov. 7, 1963)

Cleveland, Ohio fans got to see the top stars of the W.W.W.F.



Bruno Sammartino

Two Mat 'Titles' at Stake Here

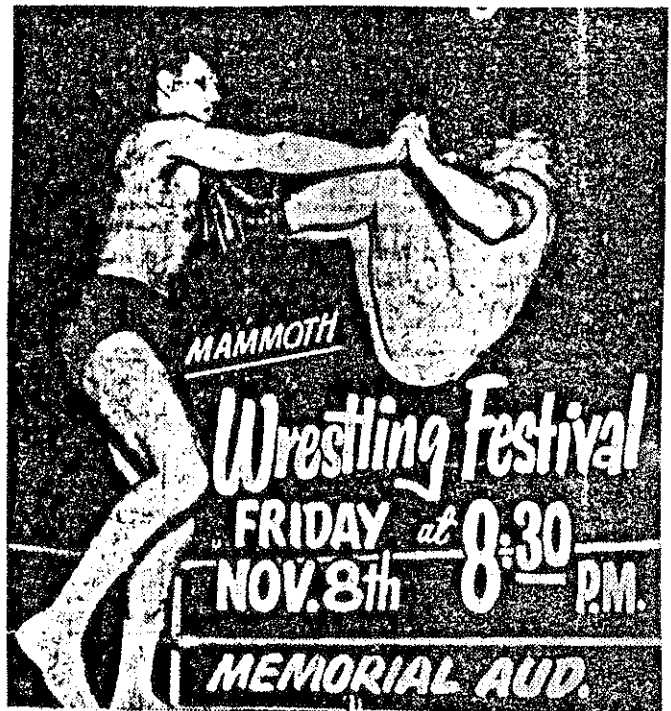
Two "championship" matches head the Buckeye Sports Enterprises' inaugural wrestling show in the Arena tonight at 8:15.

Bruno Sammartino will defend his World Wide Wrestling Federation heavyweight crown against Magnificent Maurice, while the Fabulous Kangaroos put their international tag-team crown up against Bobo Brazil and Ace Freeman.

(Both items in lower left corner are from article for Cleveland, Ohio card of November 7, 1963)

Pedro Martinez, who HAD promoted in Cleveland, continued to provide the Buffalo, N. Y. fans with the best stars he could.

(From Buffalo, N. Y. ad for card November 8, 1963)



Argentina Rocca vs. The Beast

Mike and Doc Gallagher
vs.

Gentleman Art Thomas and The Black Orchid

Hans Schmidt vs. Jack Terry
Billy Lyons vs. Joe Christie
Herr von Hess vs. Mark Higgins
Johnny Barend vs. Angelo Savoldi
Great Mephisto vs. Bobby Bell

Rocca and Savoldi both on the above card brings interesting observation. The two used to travel together. Many years later, Savoldi became an official with the W.W.W.F. organization, with which Rocca feuded. Years after that, however, Rocca joined up with the W.W.W.F. as a TV color commentator.

Honolulu fans saw one of their fellow islanders capture a version of the U.S. championship and defend it against many worthy opponents.

(From Honolulu, Hawaii ad for card Nov. 13, 1963)

DOUBLE MAIN



LUTHER LINDSEY
(Sensational Negro Champ)



BULL HAUKEA
(New U.S. Champion)

2nd MAIN EVENT



HARD BOILED Haggerty
(250 pound Rough Neck)



Maiava
(Samoa Favorite)

Chicago, unfortunately, degenerated into a mixture of good talent with less than great.

(From Chicago, Illinois ad for card Nov. 15, 1963)

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GRUDGE REMATCH

TWO WORLD CHAMPIONS

For the World's Title and Championship Belts 2

VALENTINE

vs.

WILDMAN FARGO

6 MIDGETS 6
TAG TEAM MATCH

Special Unusual Handicap Match

AFRICAN KILLER GORILLA PARKER

AGREES TO THROW TWO MEN IN 60 MIN.

AFRICAN KILLER GORILLA PARKER vs. **GOLDEN MOOSE CHOLAK**
340 Lbs. AND **RUSSIAN DESTROYER**
385 Lbs.

Texas Bruiser vs. Franz Von Erick

TAG TEAM MATCH

FABULOUS ZANGARDS vs. **BRONZE BOMBER**
and **RICKI LEWIN**

As the year drew near a close, the A.W.A. champ came back for a rare appearance in Texas where the newspaper continued to misspell poor Dory Funk, Sr.'s first name:

(From Lubbock, Texas ad for card December 4, 1963)

WORLD'S TITLE (AWA)

VERNE GAGNE

CHAMPION

VS.

Rickie Romero

CHALLENGER



RICKIE ROMERO

NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP TAG-TEAM MATCH

DORK FUNK

and

Dory Funk, Jr.

VS.

KINJII SHIBUYA & TOKYO TOM



It was a good year but it didn't end without tragedy. The wrestling world lost one of the people most responsible for making the sport the huge success it was: Gorgeous George.

He was the first and most successful of the bleach blond "pretty boys" and in later years was often imitated but never equalled.

It is to his memory that this nostalgic look at 1963 is dedicated by the author, Terry Robert Justice.



GEORGE

(THE END)

The RASSLER

NORTH SIDE COLISEUM

FORT WORTH, TEXAS

Volume 21

Monday, August 19, 1963

Price 15 Cents—No. 985

STARR-LEWIN!!

Bobby Graham to Face Jack Dalton

Bobby Graham, who has been verging on greatness ever since his arrival here several weeks ago, gets a chance to prove his real worth here tonight.



BOBBY GRAHAM

Bobby stays in the prelims but he gets a shot at one of the top hands in the game when he goes against Bruising Jack Dalton. A victory over Jack would send Graham's stock sky high and would almost assure him a spot in the higher brackets.

"I have been waiting for an opportunity like this for a long time," said Bobby. "You can rest assured that I am going to go all out to dispose of this Dalton character. And I know that I have a big job ahead of me."

Graham is the type wrestler who just takes Jack Dalton for a big ride. Bobby is fast, big enough and ambitious. Above all this comparative newcomer has proven that he can get as tough as the toughest . . . and this is what he will have to do in the case

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RICKI STARR

TILLET RETURNS WITH BUD; TAKES ON COWBOY AND NICK

Rugged Frenchman Louie Tillet is back in Fort Worth tonight and this time he has his brother Jean with him. They will appear in the semi-final match tonight against the popular team of Cowboy Bob Ellis and Nick Kozak.

Louie is a well-known figure locally and is known mainly for his rough-house tactics. He claims that his brother is just as rough and tough as he is and that as a tag team they are unbeatable.

"We have wrestled the World over," said Louie, "and we have yet to find a team that can hold a light with us. We are so pleased that we are getting a couple of pretty good wrestlers in our first time out."

That is quite an understatement . . . calling Cowboy Ellis and Nick Kozak "a couple of pretty good wrestlers." Actually these two are rated right at the top of the ladder and it would be hard to find any pair against whom these two could not hold their own.

"The Cowboy and I are glad to be teamed together again," said Nick. "We have worked together

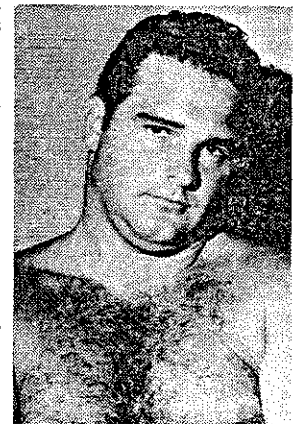
COMMISSION ORDERS RETURN; NICK KOZAK WILL REFEREE

Fort Worth wrestling fans demanded the return Main Event tonight between Maniac Mark Ltwin and Tricky Ricki Starr. The state Commissioner ordered the match to take place and both contestants are ready to go all out in what should really be a gruelling battle.

It has also been ruled that Nick Kozak will serve as referee rather than Marvin Jones. This is most pleasing to the fans but most distasteful to Maniac Mark Lewin.

Spectators will remember that in their last meeting Maniac Mark won when Starr was ruled out on a foul by Jones. The foul claim

brought a great deal of protest and resulted in the return engagement. This also was the cause of Kozak being named as referee.



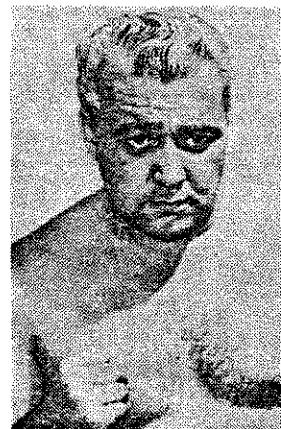
MARK LEWIN

"The foul ruling was not justified in the least," said Ricki. "I am certainly not saying that Marvin Jones deliberately called the infraction . . . I am just saying that he was in error. If you will remember Lewin seemed in terrible pain until Jones left the ring . . . then Mark got up and walked off as if nothing had happened!"

"You have to pull all of the stops when you meet Lewin," Starr continued. "He will not allow you to wrestle fair and square. No one knows this better than Nick Kozak and for that reason I think that he is an excellent choice as referee."

There was a very great difference in opinion concerning the naming of Nick Kozak.

"Why certainly that sissy prancer wants Kozak as a referee



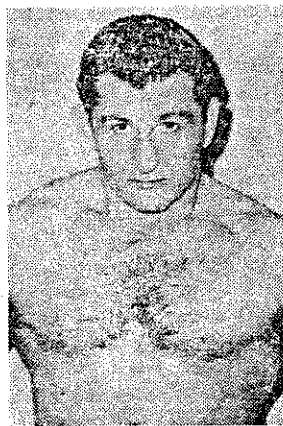
LOUIE TILLET

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Bob Boyer Is Coming to Texas

Bob Boyer, due here soon, has one distinction no other wrestler can claim. He learned to wrestle on the high seas! During a rugged



4-year stint in the Merchant Marine Bob spent every moment of his spare time in the gruelling process of learning the intricacies of the mat game from a former wrestler who had shipped on the crew.

And it could be said that since then Bob has kept a lot of wrestlers at sea! The husky youngster went into the Maritime Service with a background of athletic activity with emphasis on hockey, football and soccer. But when Chuck Larsen spotted him working out with improvised weights to keep up his strength on board a vessel a friendship was made that brought on a new career.

Bob comes from an area of the country that has spawned a lot of top-notch mat stars. Montreal has long been the top wrestling city in Canada and Bob had the inspiration of having hero worshipped a great many stars.

When he decided to turn in his Seaman's ticket and stay ashore, Boyer frequented the gymnasiums of Montreal but instead of going as a neophyte he went in with experience and teaching that brought him immediate attention from veteran wrestlers and promoters.

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MONDAY EVENING, AUGUST 19, 1963—8:30 P.M.

MAIN EVENT

TWO OUT OF THREE FALLS—NO TIME LIMIT
RETURN MATCH . . . DEMANDED BY THE FANS!

MANIAC MARK LEWIN vs. TRICKY RICKI STARR
Buffalo, New York, 240 lbs. Greenwich, New York, 199 1/2 lbs.
NICK KOZAK, Referee

Winner _____ Time _____

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SEMI-FINAL

TWO OUT OF THREE FALLS—45-MINUTE TIME LIMIT

TAG TEAM MATCH

LOUIE TILLET **NICK KOZAK**
Bordeaux, France, 225 lbs. Vancouver, 212 lbs.
and
JEAN TILLET **COWBOY BOB ELLIS**
Bordeaux, France, 223 lbs. San Angelo, Texas, 245 lbs.

Winner _____ Time _____

★ ★ ★

PRELIMINARIES

EACH ONE FALL—15-MINUTE TIME LIMIT

JACK DALTON **BOBBY GRAHAM**
Cass Co., Mo., 235 lbs. North Carolina, 230 lbs.

Winner _____ Time _____

★ ★ ★

JIM DALTON **ENRIQUE GUZMAN**
Cass Co., Mo., 227 lbs. Mexico, 220 lbs.

Winner _____ Time _____

★ ★ ★

DANNY McSHANE **JERRY LONDON**
Hollywood, 218 lbs. Hamilton, Canada, 228 lbs.

Winner _____ Time _____

★ ★ ★

MARVIN JONES, Referee

Boyer depends on speed and a whirlwind attack to make his point in the mat game but has never been known to dodge a match that got rough around the edges. He has had his share of injuries, one of them left a six-inch

scar on his head, but he can also point to a career that has dented a lot of famous heads. Bob is a likable and popular fellow who gathers friends wherever he goes . . . one of his aims in Texas is to continue that policy.

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Tillet Returns—

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Newcomer Tillet, Louie's younger brother, proved right off the bat that he had no inferior complex.



COWBOY BOB ELLIS

"I came to this country and to Texas from my native France because Louie told me that the toughest wrestlers in the world were right here in the Southwest," said Jean. "That's what I am looking for because the tougher they are the better I like 'em . . . and that goes for my brother, too."

"Louie and I have traveled around the globe looking for tough boys that could give us a scrap but we have never found a pair that could make it interesting. I don't exactly know what a Cowboy is but mabe this Ellis fellow and Kozak fellow can make it at least interesting for us."

It will be for two out of three falls with a time limit of 45 minutes.

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Jim Dalton vs. Enrique Guzman

Gun-slinging Jim Dalton will wrestle in the second event on tonight's all star card when he goes in against Latin star Enrique Guzman.



JIM DALTON

Dalton is ordinarily in team bouts with brother Jack but can also hold his own in individual scraps, too.

Enrique, who is a cousin of Blackie Guzman made a terrific showing last week in his draw with Cielon Negro and is looking forward to this match with Jim.

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ENRIQUE GUZMAN

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The only time you call is when you are not going to attend the matches.

Avoid the last minute rush. Dial MA 4-7269 now and make your PERMANENT RESERVATION.

Mysterious Pair Of Medics Soon

Tag Team matches have become quite the thing in Fort Worth of late and there is a good possibility that a new pair will be strutting



around the North Side Coliseum in the not too distant future. They are known as the Mysterious Medics.

It was more than the nationwide interest in the Ben Casey and Dr. Kildare shows that brought the Mysterious Medics into wrestling.

They first met on the battlefield during the Korean conflict and have been together ever since as one of the toughest and hardest to handle tag team combinations the mat game has ever seen.

Both were youngsters when they entered the Armed Services and as they were both wrestling at the time they decided to stick together as long as possible. Chance kept them in the same outfit through all of their service and they managed to make the most of it by constantly working out, even close to the front lines, at every opportunity.

The idea for the Mysterious Medics tag team was born in the fact that they were Medics in the service. While the lessons they



learned in uniform were for the spreading of mercy and the application of life saving first aid, they offer none of these things now.

"It was easy to turn the knowledge around," said one of the masked men, "learning to hurt is the reverse of learning to heal and in wrestling we know where to find the muscle we want and how to put it out of commission with more than just wrestling leverage.

The tactics have paid off well at the bank. Neither of them seem to care that they have left a trail of bloody heads behind them and that one newspaper in the South said that they had left more damage behind them since General Sherman marched to the Sea through Georgia. "Sherman was a piker," said the other Medic, "he had his men do his fighting for him. We do our own."

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Commission Orders—

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... he wants him because he is his (Kozak's) tag team partner," bellowed the infuriated Lewin. Also Starr knows that Kozak dis-



NICK KOZAK

likes me very much! If I ever have seen a frame-up in my life this is it!"

Lewin then warned to his subject:

"This house of a dancer deliberately fouled me and because of it he lost the match. Naturally the only way he will fight me is to have his tag team partner as the

On the basis of his last week's performance Tricky Ricki Starr is fast turning into Treacherous Ricki Starr!

In his tag team dueling with the Dalton's Starr turned into a villainous type ... beating heads on the floor, gouging eyes and otherwise playing havoc with his opponents.

Asked why suddenly he had turned into a villain after the match Ricki did a couple of intricate dance steps, smiled broadly and said:

"Oh I am just getting in shape for my match with Maniac Mark Lewin!"



JACK DALTON

referee. But I'll tell you this ... here tonight I am going to beat both Slipper Boy and Nick Kozak to a pulp! That's the only way I can win is to whip them both and if you think I have been rough before, just wait until I get through tonight!

Nick was interviewed on Lewin's accusations and had this to say:

"Of course Starr is my friend and also my tag team partner. However, I think that fans know me well enough to know that I will be an honest referee. Ricki Starr knows that he will get no favors from me ... and Ricki Starr wants no favors.

"On the other hand I am not going to be bullied into anything by Mark Lewin. If I catch him doing anything out of order then I will most certainly call it on him. And I wouldn't advise Mark to jump me in the ring ... there's nothing I would like better!"



DANNY McSHANE

Bobby Graham—

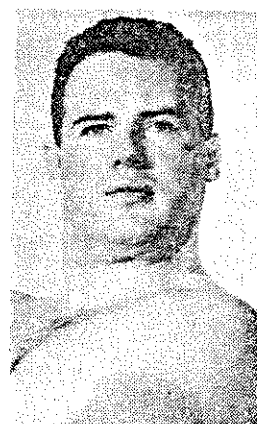
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of Jack Dalton.

Jack is not in the least perturbed over the challenge.

"Just another punk kid who wants to make a reputation by defeating the great Jack Dalton," he said. "This guy doesn't have a chance ... I'll tear him into little pieces!"

One fall or 15 minutes is the time on this top preliminary match.

MARVIN JONES
REFEREE

JERRY LONDON

McShane Returns To Meet London

The opening match will see Irish Danny McShane return to the North Side Coliseum to face popular Jerry London in a one-fall or 15-minute bout.

McShane has been absent from the local arena for a few weeks and will probably use his usual rugged tactics against the young Canadian.

He will find that Jerry is very capable of defending himself and the Irishman had better be careful because London likes to mix it up when his opponent forces him to.

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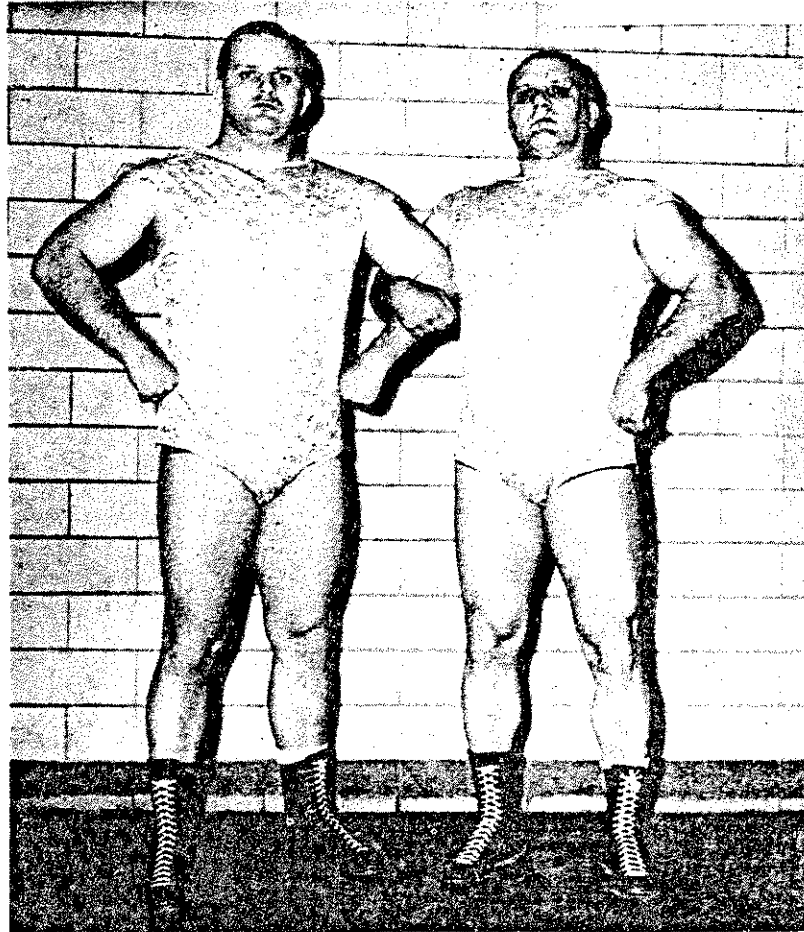
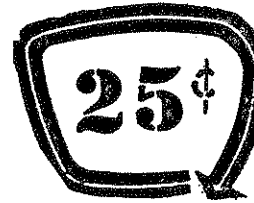
YUKON ERIC HOLMBACH,
powerful Alaskan heavyweight.



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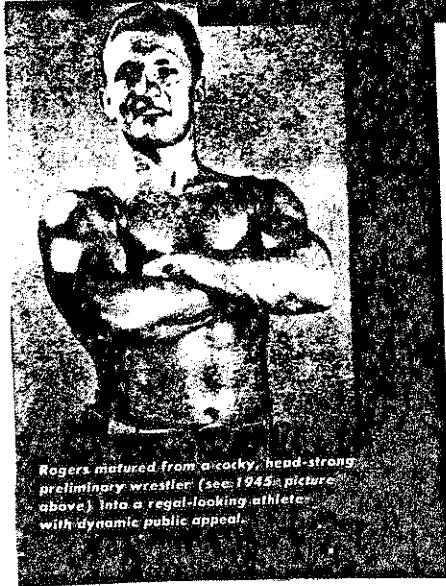
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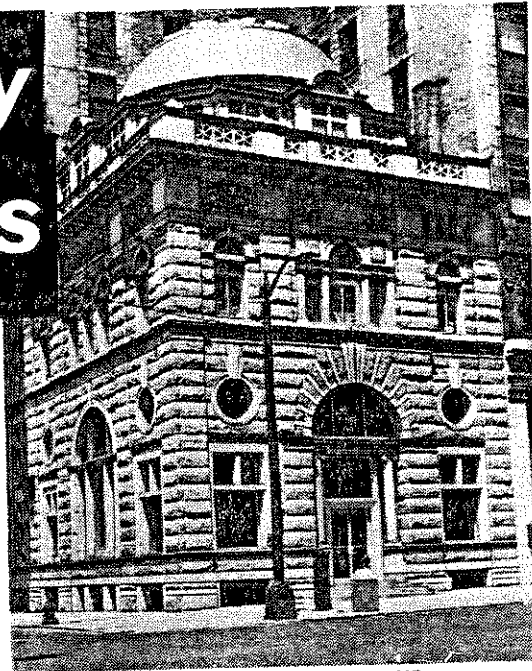
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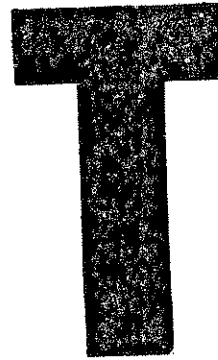
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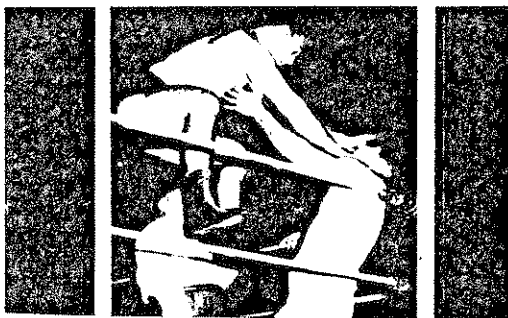
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When two Irishmen get together you can expect trouble. When Doc Gallagher gave Danno O'Shocker several elbows on the back of his neck, Danno climbed right up on Doc to repay him in full.

Photo . . . E. YETTER

Those fighting Bayonne, N. J., Bombers, Doc and Mike Gallagher—continue to meet all available opponents no matter who they may be. Once again chosen by Ring Magazine as the runner-up in a national poll of tag teams, the boys feel that they can only remain in that position by meeting opponents who are likely to remove them from their vaunted position.

When Nat Loubet, Ring Wrestling Editor, gave the Gallagher

Brothers the Honorable Mention tab in the annual rating which appeared in the February issue of The Ring Magazine, the boys were proud of the designation. "And we expect to keep those honors, because we have won them in the only way a tag team can win and that is by defeating all teams which are thrown against them," says Doc and Mike.

It must be admitted that the Gallaghers do not have faint hearts, at least.



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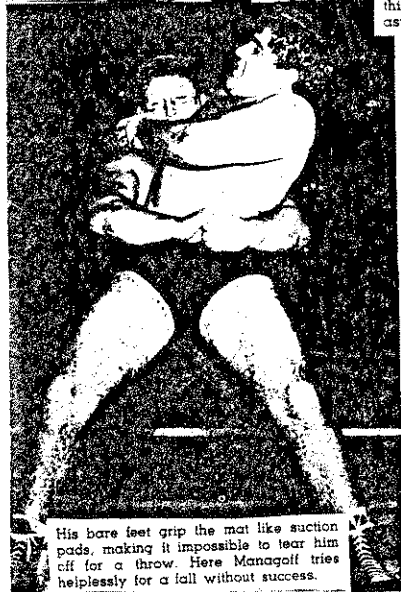
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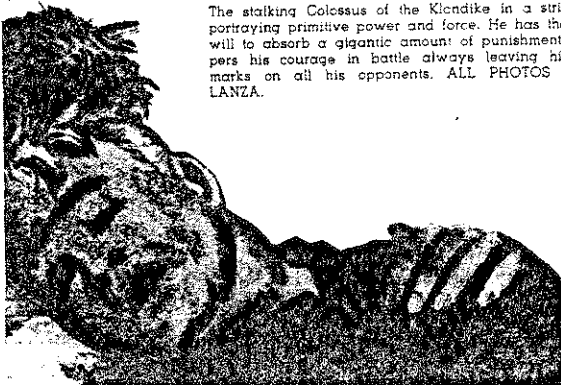
When not wrestling this mighty Nimrod—Eric can be found outdoors hunting for his supper on some Canadian lake. He can't adjust himself to civilized ways, and yet he is tender and kind.



With his enormous strength, the bear hug should be his favorite hold. He renders his opponents helpless with his titanic crushing force. Carnera says of this, "Never had I witnessed such devastating power in a man."



His bare feet grip the mat like suction pads, making it impossible to tear him off for a throw. Here Managoff tries helplessly for a fall without success.



The stalking Colossus of the Klondike in a striking pose, portraying primitive power and force. He has the primitive will to absorb a gigantic amount of punishment, and tempers his courage in battle always leaving his mauling marks on all his opponents. ALL PHOTOS BY TONY LANZA.

With an avalanche of might and muscle, this ponderous and superb token from the white man's last frontier, stalks across our civilized scenes—an inevitable threat to the lordly kings of the mat. Mat history will write in sonorous tones of the devastating march of this young giant.



Yukon Eric, was born in Fairbanks, Alaska, of Swedish parents, rooted in primitive nature. At an early age he learned to use the bow and arrow with the skill of an Indian. And cast the spear at darting fish. With these primitive weapons he roamed the forests and rivers, bringing down wild geese, wolf and bear alike with his unerring aim. A true Nimrod, he learned to mimic the calls of birds and beast, to lure them into his traps. While but a youth he fearlessly hunted the savage timber wolf, and the grizzly in their native haunts. Across Arctic snows he tracked the caribou, the elk and moose.

FROM
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Moose Cholak, a ponderous 300-pounder, is another of matdom's villainous characters who lacks loyal supporters but doesn't suffer any financial deficit as a result.

Like many other notorious stars of the pro ranks, Moose Cholak can cry all the way to the bank. He's built up a healthy nest egg during the past three years.



TONY MARINO (235)

"BIG MOOSE" CHOLAK



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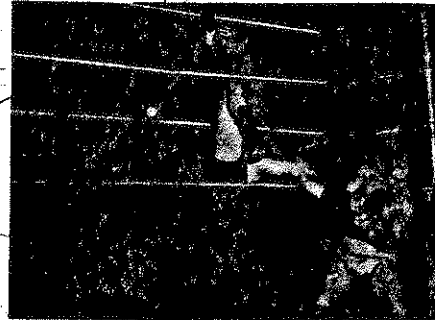
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Mike Gallagher hangs Billy Lyon's leg across the top of the ring.

THOSE GALLAGHERS MEAN TROUBLE

By EARLE YETTER

These two hard-bitten and hard-fighting Hibernians who learned their wrestling the hard way when they were lads in the tough waterfront City of Bayonne, New Jersey, are determined to hang on to their laurels as the top tag team in the country.

Mike Gallagher says, "I think we have proven our right to the honors bestowed upon us last month by 'The Ring Magazine' which designated us as the top team in the country. We have not refused to meet any bonafide challengers, and until then we cannot and will not be deprived of any glory . . . Why . . . because we have proven our ability as a tag team . . . We have fought and given our best in every bout we have appeared in, and we intend to keep it that way . . . Why, because we like

it. We have earned these honors and we fully intend to hang on to them," concluded the precocious Mike.

Doc Gallagher says, "Mike is right. We do not intend to lose the honors we have gained through sweat and blood and bruises. We still believe we are the best tag team in the country and have demonstrated that fact in every bout we have been in. Furthermore, we have no intention of losing those honors. Yes, there are fans who say we are unorthodox, but let me say that wrestling today is as Sunday School picnic. We have every right to protect ourselves at all times, and, so help us, we intend to do just that on our every appearance. We hand it out, and we take it too, but that is the brand of every professional wrestler. I think we will hang on to our laurels for some time to come, concluded Doc.

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Cute, capable little Maria Deleon didn't waste any time crying over her loss to the blazing redhead, Verne Bottoms last week. "I beat her all the way but I just couldn't overcome that tremendous weight advantage she carried on me. The weight difference meant so much in that kind of a match. No alibis, I lost. So now I am going to challenge her to one more match. Only this time it will be a straight wrestling match, only this time the

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PRETTY PAT IS RATED A KILLER



PATTERSON

Whether Patterson is "pretty," whether he is a killer or whether he is some kind of a "nut" is something that local mat fans will have to decide for themselves, and they may get the chance tonight when "Pretty" Pat or "Killer" Pat steps out against one of the bigger and better Mexican wrestlers of the past few years, Polo Torres. You make up your own mind.

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O'Connor Set for Crusher

With an eye on a future shot at the Verne Gagne's world's heavyweight title, popular Pat O'Connor returns to the Minneapolis mat scene tonight, facing the terrible Crusher.

The simple fact that his first

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PAT O'CONNOR

match is a main eventer complements O'Connor's ability as a pro wrestler. Few wrestlers in history sport a win record anywhere near O'Connor's.

His first match in town, however, will be like jumping into the middle of a bar room brawl. In fact, that's exactly what it is likely to be. The Crusher is famed for his saloon antics, many of which he carries into the ring with him.

O'Connor has proved that he can handle the Crusher's type. He holds victories over such roughnecks as Fritz von Erich, Gene Kinski and Buddy Rogers. But the Crusher is just as tough, if not tougher, than any of the aforementioned grapplers.

O'Connor, a scientific wrestler, got his start in wrestling at Massey University in New Zealand and was undefeated in six years. The late Tony Stecker and Wally Karbo started O'Connor on the road to greatness right here in Minneapolis.

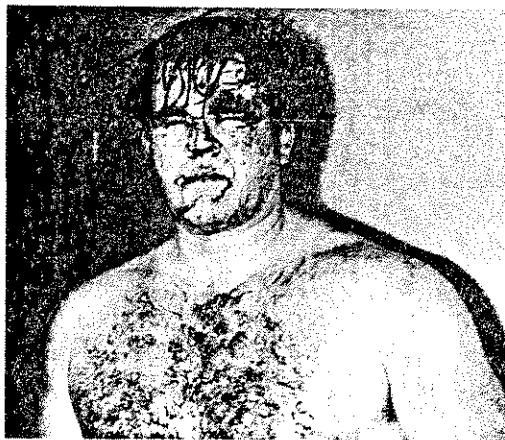
His sole purpose in coming to town is a shot at Verne Gagne's title and from hearing O'Connor talk about it, he doesn't plan to let the Crusher stand in his way.

It will be the first actual meeting between the two men, but O'Connor claims the Crusher backed out of a match in Pittsburgh three years ago.

After being confronted with the above information the Crusher replied (and not too gently), "What is that nut talking about. I remember that night. I was already scheduled to wrestle in New York and I wasn't about to change my plans for a punk who smells like a kangaroo."

Continuing his insults the Crusher said, "I've talked to guys who have wrestled him before. They all claim he smells of Kangaroo skin. (Ed NOTE: O'Connor, in fact, actually was raised on a ranch where kangaroos were present.)

O'Connor, a true ring gentleman, responded to the criticism by saying, "He's a typical ring loudmouth. I use my brain and muscles and they usually prove more effective than a set of yacking teeth."



...To Rocky Hamilton

Pictured above is Rocky Hamilton. Do you remember him? Chances are you don't and you can't be blamed at all.

The roving Sports Facts camera caught the sorry sight just moments after the Missouri Match between the Crusher and Hamilton finished.

As the picture indicates, Hamilton lost and in a most convincing fashion. Hamilton claims the Crusher used brass knuckles to open a two-inch gash just above Hamilton's left eye. (It required 10 stitches to close).

But no matter how it happened, the Crusher emerged the victor after 11 minutes and 20 seconds of action May 25 in the St. Paul Auditorium.

Several wrestling fans commented after the match that it was the bloodiest affair they had ever witnessed. The match ended with Hamilton lying unconscious as the Crusher stood above him also shedding blood.

Keeping with the rules of the match, Hamilton left town, cursing the Crusher all the way.

Crusher Did This →



The Crusher

THE CRUSHER
Destroys Rocky In Missouri Match

Tonight's Winner Will Meet Gagne for Title

Minneapolis wrestling promoter Wally Karbo announced last week that the winner of tonight's O'Connor-Crusher match will get a title shot at champion Verne Gagne June 15 in the St. Paul Auditorium.

When word of this reached the Crusher he blew his top. "I'm insulted to think that anyone would even think I had a chance to lose to O'Connor," he screamed. "I'm superior in every respect and will probably flatten the bum (O'Connor) in a matter of minutes."

But the Crusher might do well to hold his tongue until after the match.

O'Connor has held every title possible in the World, including the one Gagne holds now. It is certain that he will be no push-over for the madman from Milwaukee.

But how does Gagne view the whole matter?

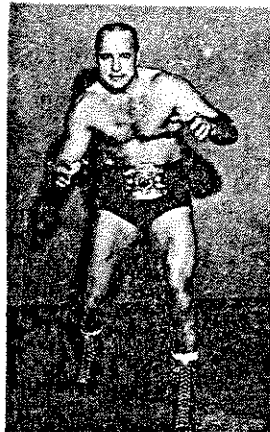
Gagne, a true champion, is always ready to take on any and all challengers, but only after they have proved their ability in the ring by knocking off the top challengers.

"I consider tonight's match a true elimination bout. I personally like Pat and it is no secret what I think of the Crusher. I would rather meet O'Connor, but only because I think that if I were defeated by either of the

two, O'Connor would be the only one to make a decent champ."

Gagne pointed out that if the Crusher ever wore the title belt, pro wrestling would go back at least 10 years and take at least that many to recover from the shock.

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VERNE GAGNE

... Will Face Winner



KARBO'S KOLUMN

By WALLY KARBO

Minneapolis Wrestling Promoter

GAGNE SPEAKS HIS MIND — I'm letting Verne Gagne say a few words about Larry Hennig in the following paragraph. "As far as I am concerned Larry Hennig can stick to refereeing and I'll do the wrestling around here. . . . I'm beginning to believe that all he is good for is refereeing after watching his new form of wrestling. . . . A fellow his age shouldn't be shooting off his mouth as much as he has been the past few weeks. . . . If he'd use his eyes instead of his mouth, he might learn a few things about real wrestling."

CRUSHER BEEF AGAIN — I have not seen a week go by when the Crusher has not stormed into my office demanding outrageous things. . . . I keep him on the main event at all times and he continues to yell. . . . Tonight I gave him a match with Pat O'Connor, one of the finest wrestlers in history and he complains. . . . Most wrestlers would be more than happy to have a chance to wrestle against a man of O'Connor's ability but not the Crusher. . . . He claims that I'm putting him off when he demands a match with Gagne. . . . I'm giving him his chance to prove his real worth tonight. . . . If he beats O'Connor, he gets his shot at Gagne. . . . If not, O'Connor will face the champ June 15 in St. Paul.

KALMIKOFFS CONTINUE INSULTS — Just when I think the Kalmikoffs may be quieting down a little, they pop off on television again and get everyone sore. . . . I receive phone calls every day from fans who object to the Kalmikoffs language on TV. . . . They claim that the Russians have no right or business to insult the U.S. or U.S. wrestlers. . . . I fully agree with the fans and want to inform them that I am doing everything in my power to keep the Kalmikoffs suppressed. . . . I think the best policy may not be fighting them with words, but rather with action. . . . I plan to bring in some top names in the near future and maybe they can do something about the situation. . . . I believe then that only a crushing defeat will ever quiet Ivan and Karol. . . . Tiny Mills and Stan Kowalski have formed into a tag team again and I guarantee they will be given every opportunity to show their stuff against the Kalmikoffs if they ask for a match.

I FINALLY GOT RID OF ONE OF THEM — The matches in St. Paul Auditorium May 25 solved a big problem for me — Rocky Hamilton. . . . With his defeat at the hands of the Crusher he was forced to leave town and I hope he doesn't plan to return for some time. . . . But all of my problems were not solved. . . . I still have the Crusher. . .

Gagne made it clear, however, that he did not fear the Crusher and that if the Crusher defeated O'Connor tonight he would sign to meet him in the St. Paul Auditorium.

A quick poll of several fans at last Tuesday's matches indicated that O'Connor will be the popular choice in tonight's match. Not

a single person interviewed said that he wanted the Crusher to win.

Popular opinion had it that if Gagne and O'Connor meet, it will be one of the finest wrestling matches around these parts in many years.

The question of who would win was not settled. Gagne was given just a slight edge by most.

Minneapolis Bout Set . . .

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Minneapolis wrestling fans will be able to watch the biggest wrestler in the world when the huge (600 pounds) Haystack invades town, in July.

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Fans who already know of his coming have expressed hope that he will flatten (literally) the Crusher if and when the two ever meet.

Mat fans are reminded of that the next matches in the Twin Cities will be June 15 in the St. Paul Auditorium. Pro wrestling returns to Minneapolis June 28.

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MAIN EVENT

Pat O'Connor vs. The Crusher
New Zealand (232) vs. Milwaukee (252)
One Fall, One Hour Time Limit

SEMI-FINAL MATCH

Ivan Kalmikoff vs. Don McClarty
Rustov, Russia (243) vs. Winnipeg (245)
One Fall

SPECIAL BOUT

Karol Kalmikoff vs. Doug Gilbert
Rustov, Russia (238) vs. South Bend, Ind. (222)
One Fall

EXTRA ADDED ATTRACTION

Tiny Mills vs. Jack Pesek
Camrose, Alb. (260) vs. Lincoln, Neb. (235)
and and
Stan Kowalski vs. Jerry Hannigan
Minneapolis (255) vs. Omaha (220)
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American wrestlers all over the country are getting sick and tired of Ivan and Karol Kalmikoff's verbal assaults on American citizens—wrestlers and laymen alike. And to a man, they plan to do something about it.

Rough and scientific wrestlers alike have teamed to form one big alliance — THE CLOBBER THE KALMIKOFFS CLUB.

One side of the fence are such names as Verne Gagne, Pat O'Connor, Doug Gilbert and Don McClarty.

As Gagne put it, "The Kalmikoffs are a disgrace not only to wrestling, but to American soil. Either they must be driven out of the country and back to the plains of Russia or have their lips sewn shut forever."

Foremost of the other type of wrestler is DICK THE BRUISER who happens to be the Crusher's cousin.

Said Bruiser in a recent phone call to Wally Karbo: "There has been more than one time during the past few months that I have almost bought a ticket to Minneapolis to see what I could do about the situation."

TV Change Made

Because the Minnesota Twins baseball game will be telecast Monday night on WTCN (channel 11) TV, a change has been made in the regular Monday wrestling telecast.

Tuesday night wrestling will be telecast from 7:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. and again Thursday night from 8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.



DON MCCLARTY
... Wants Top Names

He added that the Crusher has kept him posted on the goings on with the Kalmikoffs and both agree that something has to be done to stop the two brothers who think to live in Russia is better than it is in the good old United States.

Fans all over the WTCN - TV

area get a weekly diet of verbal abuse from Ivan and Karol, who take the opportunity of an interview to hurl insults at the very country that has made them rich.

Whether it be the wrestlers or the fans, all agree that something must be done about it and QUICK

Sharky Wants Hodge

Walk up to Eddie Sharkey now days and ask him what he has been doing and you will always get the same answer — TRAINING.

Yes, Eddie is engaged in the most serious training of his career. It is all pointed at a world's title bout with Danny Hodge, the present junior champion of the world.

In Hodge, Sharky will face one of the toughest opponents he has ever met.

The past few years Hodge has been undefeated in defending his junior title. Not only was he an amateur wrestler before turning pro, but he was also a great in boxing.

Just scan these Hodge feats:

- Won the Kansas heavyweight boxing championship with three straight knockouts at Wichita, Kan.

- Won the Golden Gloves tournament of champions and he won the heavyweight title at Chicago Stadium with three knockouts and one decision.

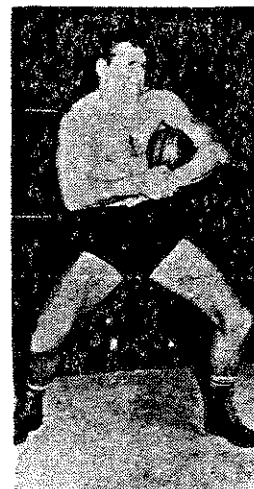
- Won the National Golden Gloves championship at Madison Square Garden, knocking out a 212 pounder in two rounds.

- Wally Karbo informed Sharky that to get the bout with Hodge, he would have to lose weight and get down to at least 210 pounds — the Minnesota limit for a junior title bout.

Sharkey, even though he has not been wrestling as much as some of the other wrestlers in town, has gained great popularity — especially with the female fans.

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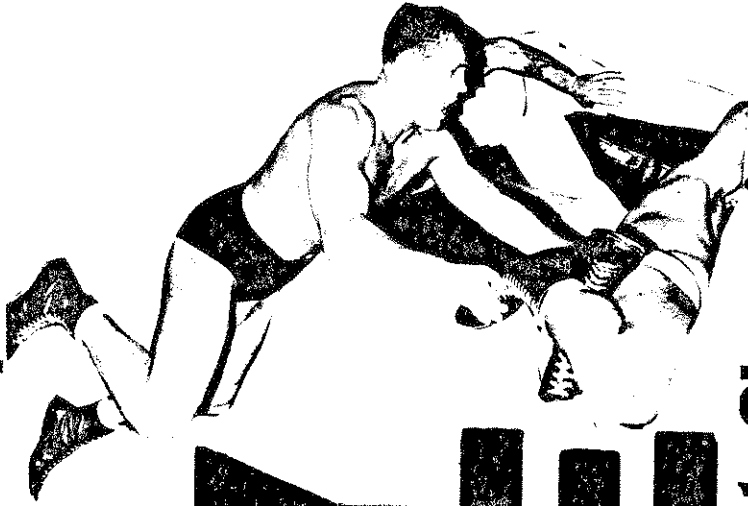
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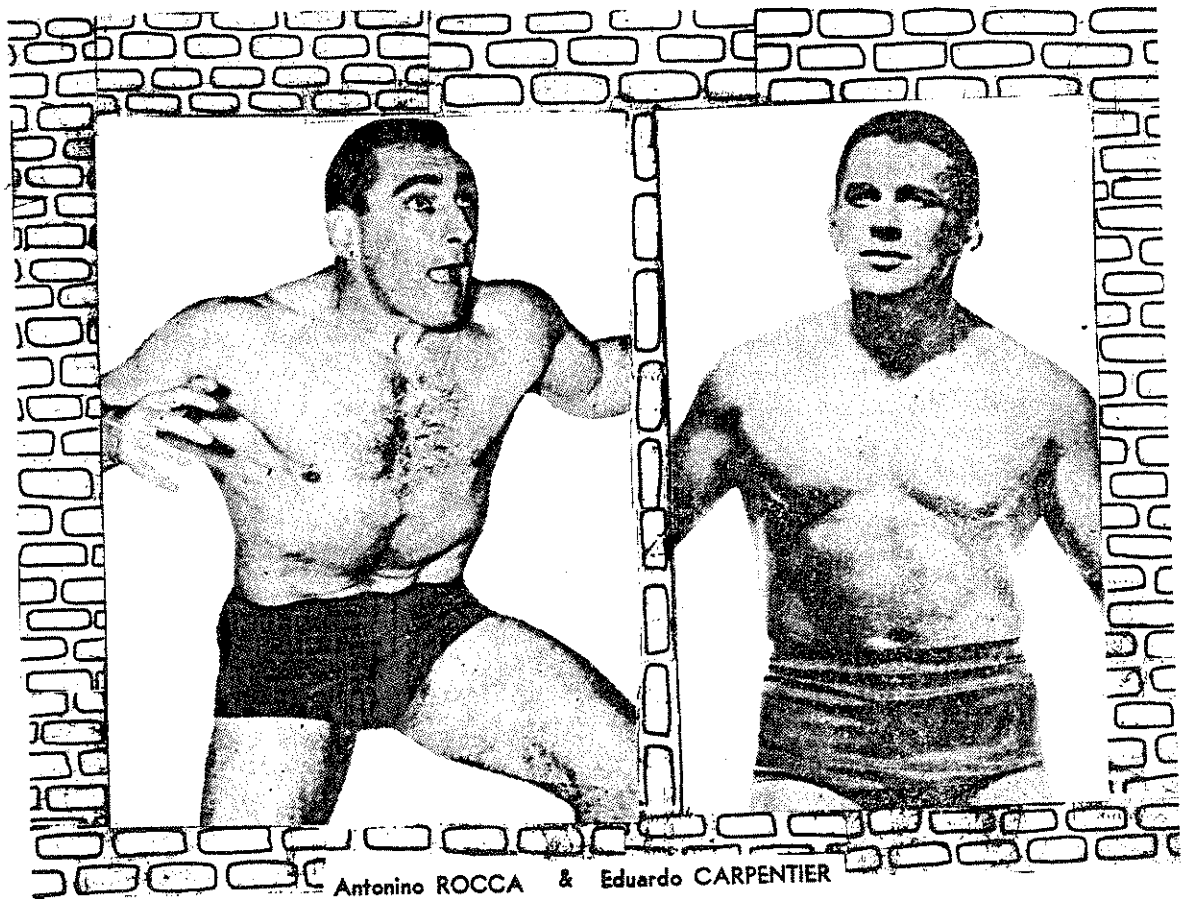
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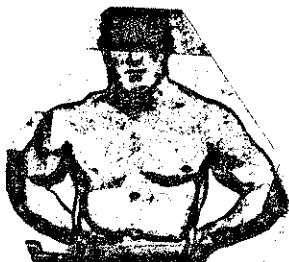
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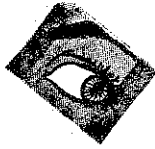
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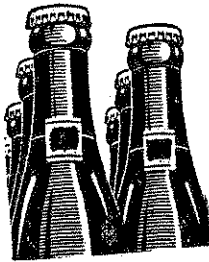


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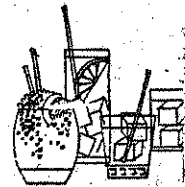
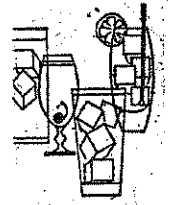
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In a special one-fall team match, Kurt and Karl Von Brauner, the German twins, defeated Don Curtis and Joe Scarpa.

There will be no wrestling at the Armory next week but the regular slate of events will resume Jan. 22.

Above: Tampa, Florida
1/8/63

Mat Feature Ends in Draw

Ilio DiPaolo and Billy Lyons teamed Friday night to battle Johnny Valentine and Dick (Bulldog) Brower to a 30-minute draw in the Buffalo Wrestling Club feature at Memorial Auditorium.

The bout, stopped by the 11 p.m. curfew, marked the first time in more than a year that a match had gone so long without even one fall.

In other matches, Ricki Starr halted Doc Gallagher in 8:01; The Beast and John Paul Henning, who was impressive in his Buffalo debut, fought to a 20-minute draw; Lord Littlebrook pinned Dandy Andy in 10:51 of their midget match; Johnny Foti stopped Ramon Lopez in 16:19 and Stan Stasiak scored over Tim Geohagan in 11:04.


A crowd of 4,115—including four Boy Scout Troops — was announced.

Below: Columbus, Ohio 2/16/63

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Above: Toronto, Ontario
1/24/63

Left: Buffalo, New York
2/22/63

Three on right side:
all San Antonio, Texas

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Toronto clip is from
card the night Thesz
won his 6th N.W.A.
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WRESTLING

WED., FEB. 13th

BULL CURRY

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CHALLENGERS

Plus exhibitions of strength and science

MAPLE LEAF GARDENS

Three at left:
all Toronto, Ont.

(Left to right)

3/7/63

3/14/63

3/21/63

NOTE:
Few people realize that Thesz, as the true world champion, did successfully defend his belt against Sammartino.

Below:
Rochester, N. Y.
3/13/63

Below:
Jacksonville, Fla.
3/23/63

Below: Omaha, Nebraska 3/30/63



MEANIE — The Beast (above) and Bulldog Brower will oppose Ilio DiPaolo and Billy (Red) Lyons in the mat feature tomorrow night at the War Memorial. The Beast and Brower won a disputed victory over DiPaolo and Lyons in their first scuffle two weeks ago. Four other bouts are listed.

Matmen Vie At Coliseum On Thursday

Eddie Graham, one of the most popular matmen ever to appear in a Jacksonville ring, will wrestle Mighty Zorro in a one-fall finish match Thursday night in the Jacksonville Coliseum.

The match will be one of two feature events. The other is to be a tag team championship match between Karl and Kurt Von Brauner and the challengers, Yukon Eric and Don Curtis.

It will be over the best two out of three falls route, with a one-hour time limit.

The Graham-Zorro match promises interesting side-lights.

Zorro said he will remove the mask he always wears if he fails to beat Graham. Graham declared he will burn his trunks in the ring and leave Florida if he doesn't whip Zorro.

Ilio Matsuda and Duke Keomuka, a newly formed Japanese tag team, will take on the masked Crusaders in a two out of three falls match with a one-hour limit.

Waldo, Crusher to Clash in Twin to Double Feature

There'll be two features —instead of one—on the Saturday night City Auditorium rattle riot.

Matchmaker Joe Dusek Saturday closed with Waldo Von Erich and The Crusher to round off the card with

a 60-minute, two out of three falls bout.

This will pair with the companion 60-minute event, the Fritz (Iron Claw) Von Erich-Doug Gilbert showdown.

So fans will see both Von Erich brothers on the same card.

Right:
San Francisco,
California
4/20/63

NOTE:
On the card at the immediate left, Mighty Zorro was unmasked and his identity revealed as being Hans (The Great) Mortier.

Stevens Puts Mat Title On the Line

Wilbur Snyder, former Los Angeles Ram griddler from Walnut Creek, goes after Ray Stevens' heavyweight title on tonight's Cow Palace wrestling card.

A companion feature sends Pepper Gomez and Luis Martinez against tag team champs Art and Stan Neilson.

Below: Tampa, Fla. 6/4/63

Wrestler Graham Wins With Right Cross

TAMPA — Eddie Graham of Tampa, defeated Southern champion Hiro Matsuda of Japan before 4,605 fans at Fort Homer Hesterly Armory here last night. Graham, allowed to use bare knuckles, stopped Matsuda in 10 minutes and 13 seconds with a right cross.

Other results: Kurt and Karl Von Brauner defeated Don Curtis and Ray Villmer; Duke Keomuka defeated Indio Joe; Fran Grayette and The Crusader downed Olga Martinez and Miguel Rodriguez and Mike Paidousis drew with Malenko.

Lower right corner:
Columbus, Ohio

Below: Fort Worth, Texas
6/10/63

WRESTLING

MONDAY, 8:30 P.M.

MAIN EVENT

TAG TEAM MATCH

LOU THESZ
AND
NICK KOZAK
VS.
MARK LEWIN
AND
LOUIE TILLET

SEMI-FINAL

GIRLS GIRLS GIRLS

Verne Bottoms
VS.
Penny Banner

SPECIAL EVENT

SCUFFLIN' HILLBILLIES
Rip Collins
AND
Tony Borne
VS.
Bill Watts
AND
Chuck Conley

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Kozac-Donovan-Watts

WRESTLETHON



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CA 4-1529

Below: Miami, Florida



WRESTLING

FRIDAY—JUNE 14th



CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH!

THE VON BRAUNERS
VS.

The Torres Brothers
BATTLE TO A FINISH

GRAHAM VS. MATSUDA
FISTS VS. KARATE

CRUSADER VS. KEOMUKA
DON CURTIS VS. CARL COX
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Below: Toronto, Ont. 6/6/63


THURSDAY — 8.30



The Beast and Manager
THE BEAST
ACCOMPANIED BY MANAGER
MARTINO ANGELO
VS.
BULLDOG BROWER

MAPLE LEAF GARDENS

Below: Rochester, N. Y.
6/19/63





FACES CHAMP — Hans Schmidt, who faces world wrestling champion Lou Thesz Wednesday night at the War Memorial in the best-of-three falls main event, hopes his unorthodox style will earn an upset over the reigning National Wrestling Alliance titleholder. Four other bouts are scheduled, including a midget tag team scrap.

CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING

Saturday, June 15
Fairgrounds Coliseum, 8:30 P.M.

RETURN "GRUDGE" MATCH
KARL GOTCH,
THE WORLD'S GREATEST HEAVYWEIGHT
VS.
THE SHEIK, TOP CHALLENGER—
AND "MR. ROUGH HOUSE"

ALSO—Four leading midgets in title tag
clash. The Alaskan, "Moose" Evans, Steve
Stanley and Jack Allan. Five bouts in all.
At 11:00, matchmaker. Reservations, The
Clock. CA. 4-3030.

WRESTLING

MONDAY, 8:30 P.M.

MAIN EVENT

**PEPPER
GOMEZ**

VS.

**MARK
LEWIN**

SEMI-FINAL

TONY BORNE

VS.

NICK KOZAK

SPECIAL EVENT

BULL MONTANA

AND

DANNY McSHANE

VS.

(KENTUCKY HILLBILLIES)

Rip Collins

AND

Chuck Conley

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TOMORROW - 8:30

WRESTLING



LOU THESZ

WORLD TITLE

LOU THESZ

Champion

VS.

John Paul HENNING

Challenger

Killer Kowalski

VS.

Tony Parisi

Antonios Manos

VS.

Hans Schmidt

Lorenzo Parente

VS.

Duke Noble

Great Mephisto

VS.

Fred Atkins

Exhibition of strength and science

MAPLE LEAF GARDENS

Left: Miami,
Florida

Below: Columbus, Ohio

Mat Champ Here
For Closing Show



LOU THESZ, recognized champion in most wrestling circles, opposes Hans Schmidt Friday in the feature of the closing program of the local mat season in Memorial Auditorium. Gentleman Art Thomas and Tarzan Kowalski also are on the card, and so are the midget grapplers.

Above: Buffalo, N.Y.
6/21/63

Left corner: Fort
Worth, Texas
6/17/63

Immediate left:
Toronto, Ontario
6/20/63

WRESTLING

MONDAY, 8:30 P.M.

MAIN EVENT

Tag Team Match

JACK

DALTON

AND
JIM

DALTON

VS.

PEPPER

GOMEZ

AND

NICK

KOZAK

SEMI-FINAL

COWBOY

BOB ELLIS

VS.

MARK

LEWIN

SPECIAL EVENT

KURT VON BRAUNER

AND

KARL VON BRAUNER

VS.

Scufflin' Hillbillies

CHUCK CONLEY

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Above: Fort Worth,
Texas 6/24/63

Below: Tampa, Florida
7/2/63

WRESTLING

FRIDAY - JUNE 28th

TAG TEAM MATCH



THE TORRES BROS.

VS.



**HIRO MATSUDA
& DUKE KEOMUKA**



MALENKO

VS.

MIKE

PAIDOUSIS

VILLMER VS. KOX

ROSSI VS. INDIO JOE

MIAMI BEACH AUD.

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WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING



Fairgrounds Coliseum,
Saturday Night, June 29, 8:30
HERE'S GRAPPLING AS YOU LIKE IT.
KARL GOTCH, Great heavyweight titleholder
VS.
SWEET DADDY SIKI, leading Negro contender.
ALSO—Stanlee Brothers Vs. Taleber and
Graham, Hoover, Allen, and other stars
on five-bout card.



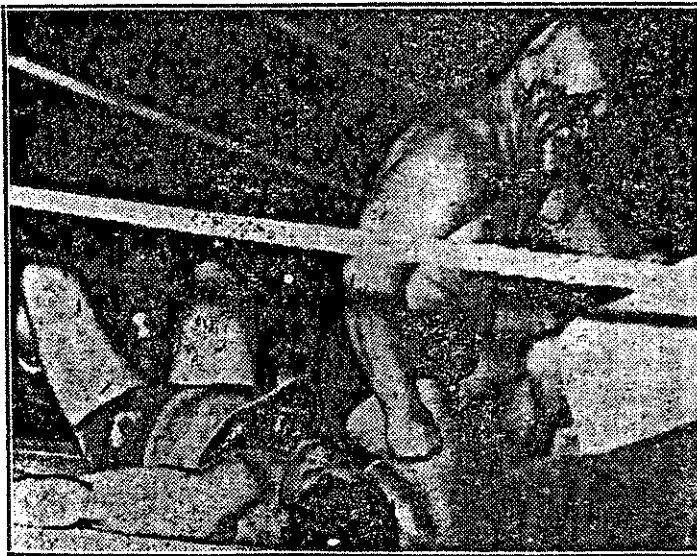
Al Haft, matchmaker. Reserved seats at Sherman Clothes—CA. 4-7484

Matsuda-Keomuka Duo Retain World Title

TAMPA — Southern champion Hiro Matsuda and partner Duke Keomuka defeated challengers Ray Villmer and Don Curtis at the Fort Hesterly Armory last night to retain their world tag-team wrestling championship.

A crowd of 4,300 fans witnessed the title match, the final bout of promoter Cowboy Luttrall's card.

In a special battle to the finish, Eddie Graham of Tampa won over the Great Malenko of Russia in two of three falls. In the opening event, Al Torres and Crusader Len Rossi fought to a 20-minute draw, while Raymond Torres bested Mike Paidousis in the second event.



For Better or Worse

(Associated Press Wirefoto)

Alex Karras, who was suspended by NFL for betting on games, is pinned by bloodied Bruiser Affila during wrestling match, Saturday night, at Detroit. The ex-Lions' tackle tossed Affila out of ring three times before Bruiser put over surprise ending.

Above: Detroit, Michigan 4/27/63

Hoffman in Waldo's Corner?—

If He Is, Handcuffs Ready

Matchmaker Joe Dusek Saturday had an ultimatum for Duke Hoffman, the recent ally of the Von Erichs in the rattle wars.

"If Hoffman thinks he's going to second Waldo Von Erich in Friday night's City Auditorium bout with Verne Gagne he could be right," Dusek said.

"But if he thinks he's go-

ing to have a free hand to give Waldo an assist he's dead wrong. We'll have handcuffs ready at ringside and chances are Hoffman will wind up handcuffed to a cop—or a ring post."

The special event was added Saturday — sending the 285-pound Spaniard, Hercules Cortez, against Iowa's Larry Henning.


Right: Portland, Oregon 5/6/63

NOTE: Bruiser-Karras Detroit match made headlines all over the world due to a bar room brawl which took place prior to the night of their match.

Below: Columbus, Ohio

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING


FAIRGROUNDS COLISEUM
SATURDAY NIGHT, MAY 11, 8:30



Karl Gotch, Sensational Titleholder
VS.
Taro Myaki, Master of "Claw" hold, the
Japanese torture expert

ALSO—"Moose" Evans, Big Bill Miller, Joe
Blanchard, and The Skeik. Five bouts in all.

A. Hoff, matchmaker. Reservations—The Clock, CA. 4-3030.



Pat, Mad Dog Win Mat Tiff

Mad Dog Vachone and Pat Patterson won two out of three falls to defeat Rocky Columbo and Herb Freeman in the main event of Monday night's wrestling card at the Labor Temple.

After each team had taken one fall, Vachone rebounded from the ropes to floor Columbo and then pinned his prey after a punishing knee drop across the throat.

In other bouts, Gil Ane won the semifinal event from Soldat Gorkey on a disqualification, Billy White Wolf and Wild Bill Savage fought to a draw, and Ricky Hunter won over Haru Sasaki in one fall.

Above: Portland, Oregon
4/29/63

Left: Omaha, Nebraska
5/3/63

Borne Bout Mat Feature

The Labor Temple arena, usually a Monday night abattoir for roughneck wrestlers, will be dark this week but there'll be plenty of riotous mat action at the Auditorium.

The grapplers, headed by Tony Borne and Maurice Vachone, shift into the municipal building with the bearded gladiators topping an all-star five-bout card.

Borne and Vachone will clash under Texas rules which call for the match to continue until one combatant is unable to defend himself or gives up.


The loser promoter Don Owen has promised, will have his whiskers shaved at ringside.

In the top supporting bout, Bill Savage will oppose portly Prince Kuhio.

Kurt Von Poppenheim will face Billy White Wolf; Abe Jacobs will tangle with Gil Ane and Rickey Hunter will lock grips with Haru Sasaki.

THURSDAY—8:30

WRESTLING



Lou Thesz
WORLD TITLE
Lou
THESZ
Champion
vs.
Bulldog
BROWER
Challenger
OTHER GREAT BOUTS
MAPLE LEAF GARDENS

Above: Fort Worth, Texas
5/20/53

WRESTLING
MONDAY, 8:30 P.M.
MAIN EVENT
Gang War
8 MAN TAG TEAM MATCH
The North Side
Favorites
Nick Kozak
Jerry Kozak
Mark Lewin
Alejandro Cruz
vs.
Newman's
Golden Quartet
Tony Borne
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VON ERICH**
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**JOHNNY
VALENTINE**



DON EAGLE vs. BEAST MAN




**HANS
SCHMIDT**
vs.
**YUKON
ERIC**

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MATHIAS CIGAR STORE, 317 MAIN

Above: Buffalo, N. Y.
5/24/63

CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING



FAIRGROUNDS COLISEUM,
Saturday, May 25, 8:30 p.m.
KARL GOTCH, THE HEAVYWEIGHT MASTER
vs.
THE SWEIK, KING OF THE DESERT—and
The Roughest.
ALSO—LUPE GONZALES, "Moose" Evans,
Big Bill Miller, Taro Myaki. Five bouts in
all. Al Haft, matchmaker. Reserve or buy
your tickets now at The Clock, CA. 4-3030.



Dunkirk Slates Wrestling Card

Special to The Courier-Express
DUNKIRK — The professional
wrestlers, playing to near capac-
ity crowds in recent weeks, will
be back for the fourth of the
series of shows in Dunkirk's
Floral Hall Saturday night, with
the first tag match of 1963 as
the big feature.

The Beast and his manager,
Martino Angelo, will go against
Billy Lyons and Tony Marino in
the best-of-three falls main event.
The shows are sponsored by the
Chautauqua County Firemen's
Fraternity.

John Paul Henning, who turned
in creditable performances in
Buffalo in recent months, bows
in with a best-of-three falls match
against The Malta Kid.

Upper left corner:
Toronto, Ontario
5/9/63

Directly above:
Columbus, Ohio

Right: Portland, Oregon
6/3/63

Left: Dunkirk, N. Y.
6/1/63

White Wolf Scores Win

Referee Shag Thomas dis-
qualified three wrestlers in a
crackdown on foul play in
Monday's grappling program
at the Labor Temple. Includ-
ed was a disqualification of
Jack Dalton in the main event,
giving the win to Billy White
Wolf.

White Wolf had won a fall
from Dalton and the two mat-
men were battling it out for
the second takedown when
Thomas stepped in and ruled
Dalton out for unsporting tac-
tics.


The other winners by dis-
qualification were George
Drake over Ivan Kameroff
and Andre Drapp over Soldat
Gorky. In one fall bouts Gil
Ane defeated Haru Sasaki and
Rocky Columbo won over Jim
Dalton.

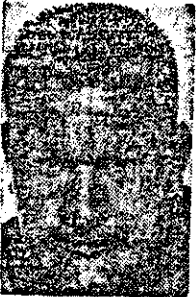
WRESTLING
 WED., JULY 3rd.
 TAG TEAM TITLE
 NICK & JERRY
KOZAK
 VS
 JACK & JIM
DALTON
 TORRES-McSHANE
 3 MORE GREAT BOUTS
WRESTLETHON
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Above:
 San Antonio, Texas

Immediate right:
 Toronto, Ontario
 4/4/63

Below: Toronto, Ontario
 7/11/63

TONIGHT - 8.30
WRESTLING

 VALENTINE
 U.S. TITLE
JOHN PAUL HENNING
 Champion, vs.
JOHNNY VALENTINE
 Challenger
 4 — MIDGETS — 4
 LITTLE BEAVER
 SONNY BOY CASSIDY
 vs. team of
 SKY LOW LOW
 BILLY THE KID
 Killer Kowalski vs. Tony Marino
 Lorenzo Parente vs. Stan Stasiak
 Seaman Art Thomas vs. Fred Atkins
 Jim Mady vs. Hans Schmidt
 Exhibition of Strength and Science
MAPLE LEAF GARDENS

TONIGHT—8:30

 Kiniski
 U.S. Title
JOHN PAUL HENNING
 Champion
 vs.
THE BEAST
 Challenger
 4 — MIDGETS — 4
 LITTLE BEAVER and
 SONNY BOY CASSIDY
 Versus Team of
 SKY LOW LOW and BILLY THE KID
 WLADEK 'KILLER' KOWALSKI
 versus
 THE MIGHTY URSUS
 GENE KINISKI versus TONY PARISI
 LORENZO PARENTE
 versus
 FIRPO ZBYSZKO
 exhibition of strength and science
MAPLE LEAF GARDENS

WRESTLING
FRIDAY, JULY 12
TEXAS DEATH MATCH

THE TORRES BROS.
 vs.

 MATSUDA KEOMUKA

 DICKIE
 vs.
 SIR NELSON ROYAL
MALENKO vs. ROSSI
PAIDOUSIS vs. INDIO JOE
MIAMI BEACH AUD.
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**Tag Match Tops
 Olympic Mat Bill**
 Freddie Blassie and Don
 Leo Jonathan oppose Bear-
 cat Wright and Mr. Moto in
 a tag team battle that tops
 tonight's mat card at the
 Olympic Auditorium.
 They clash off TV at 7:30
 p.m.
 Other bouts: Hercules Cortez vs. Art
 Mahalik; Bandit Lopez vs. Chief Kit Fox;
 Pedro Gonzalez vs. The Destroyer; Don
 Savage vs. Don Manoukian.

Above: Los Angeles,
 California 7/10/63

Lower middle and
 lower right:
 Both Miami, Florida

WRESTLING
FRIDAY—JULY 5th
**The Greatest Card
 Ever Presented In
 Miami Beach**
CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH!

 LOU THESZ VS. MALENKO
 World's Champion Challenger
CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH!

 MATSUDA CHAMPIONS
 vs.

 KEOMUKA
THE TORRES BROS.
 CHALLENGERS
DON CURTIS VS. H. SMITH
PAIDOUSIS VS. RODRIGUEZ
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WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING



Fairgrounds Coliseum.
Saturday night, July 13, 8:30
REAL HE-MAN SPORTS ACTION
KARL GOTCH, The great titleholder
—VS—



BOB STANLEY, 310 pounds, six feet nine.
ALSO—Big Bill Miller vs. Jack Allen. Best
in the west in three other bouts.

AL NAFT, Matchmaker
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Above:
Columbus, Ohio

Immediate right:
Hamilton, Ontario
7/23/63

Below:
Fort Worth, Texas
7/22/63

TOMORROW — 8.45

WRESTLING

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Killer Kowalski

vs.

Yukon Eric

SPECIAL FEATURE

TERRIBLE

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600 lb.

Wrestling Bear

SWEET DADDY SIKI

vs.

ILIO DI PAOLO

HANS SCHMIDT

vs.

BILLY "RED" LYONS

SEAMAN ART THOMAS

vs.

FRED ATKINS

exhibition of strength & science

Baseball Stadium

Immediate
right:
Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania

NOTE: Yukon Eric vs.
Killer Kowalski feud
was begun years
earlier when Yukon
lost an ear to
Kowalski's kneedrop
in Montreal match.

TONIGHT — 8:30

WRESTLING



KILLER KOWALSKI

vs.

LORENZO PARENTE

SWEET DADDY SIKI

vs.

BILLY "RED" LYONS

GENTLEMAN JIM HADY

vs.

JOHN HEATH

SEAMAN ART THOMAS

vs.

BOB LEIPLER

HANS SCHMIDT

vs.

THE MIGHTY URSUS

THE GREAT MEPHISTO

vs.

FRED ATKINS

Exhibition of Strength and Science

MAPLE LEAF GARDENS

Both above: Toronto, Ontario
Left to right — 7/18 and 7/25/63

TONIGHT — 8.30

WRESTLING



SEAMAN ART THOMAS

TEAM TITLE

BROWER & VALENTINE
CHAMPIONS

vs.

HENNING & THOMAS
CHALLENGERS

Yukon Eric vs. Hans Schmidt
Jim Hady vs. Sweet Daddy Siki
The Mighty Ursus vs. Fred Atkins
Dr. Jerry Graham vs. Johnny Foti
Exhibition of strength and science

MAPLE LEAF GARDENS

Below:
San Antonio,
Texas

WRESTLING

MONDAY, 8:30 P.M.

—MAIN EVENT—
BATTLE TO A FINISH
NO TIME LIMIT
MUST BE A WINNER

Maniac

MARK

LEWIN

vs.

Cowboy

BOB ELLIS

Special Event
For Girls' Championship
FABULOUS

MOOLAH
(WORLD'S CHAMPION)

vs.

MARGARET

GARCIA

(TEXAS CHALLENGER)

SEMI-FINALS
TAG TEAM MATCH

Jack Dalton

AND

Jim Dalton

vs.

Ricki Starr

AND

Nick Kozak

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WRESTLING

MON. JULY 29 8:40
NITE P.M.

DOUBLE WINDUP



BRUNO
SAMMARTINO

World's Champion

vs.

BLACK SHADOW

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TAG TEAM THRILLER
BRAZIL & MORALES

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WRESTLING

WED., JULY 31st.

NICK

KOZAK

vs.

LEWIN

COWBOY BOB

ELLIS

vs.

JACK

DALTON

3 MORE GREAT BOUTS

WRESTLETHON

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CA 6-1529

Yamamoto Duo Posts Mat Win

Suki Yamamoto and Hans Steiner won the tag team wrestling finale at Madison Square Garden Friday night by taking two of three falls from Tito Montez and Pancho Pico.

In the supporting features, Ham Lee bested Wild Man Shane by taking two of three falls. Shane was substituting for the ailing Don (Bulldog) Kent.

In other matches, Ken Lucas took two of three falls from Scotty Williams and Mario Taroli pinned Ray Duran in a one-fall duel.

Immediate right:
Phoenix, Arizona

Far right: San Francisco,
California 8/10/63



THE STEVE BOYS


Real "Battle of Giants" will be the one next Friday, August 16 at Miami Beach Convention Hall, featuring the amiable Kentuckians against the dirty and sneaky Assassins. Four men and a referee totaling over fifteen hundred pounds in the ring at the same time.

Rounding up this card, the Steves are coming back. Those two Canadian boys, college stars in different sports, before turning professional wrestlers will be against suitable opposition. Steve Kovacs against Duke Keomuka and Steve Bolus versus Great Malenko. Starting action at 8:45, Len Rossi and Lord Nelson Royal.


2,000 Seats at \$1.00
Miami Beach Convention Hall
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Immediate
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Los
Angeles,
California
8/14/63

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING




Fairgrounds Coliseum,
TONIGHT, 8:30
Fast, interesting sports entertainment
KARL GOTCH, Titleholder
Master of Suplex hold
VS
BIG BILL MILLER Rough rough
No. 1 challenger
ALSO: Masked Terror, Bob Stables, Doug
Gilbert, Steve Stables, Talabar, Graham
Jewell and Clark
Al Hart, matchmaker
Reservations—Sherman Clothes, 151 E. High, CA. 4-7484




Columbus, Ohio above (8/3/63) and below

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING

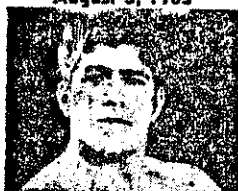


Fairgrounds Coliseum,
Saturday Night, Aug. 17
KARL GOTCH,
The Great Titleholder
VS
SWEET DADDY SIKI,
Leading Negro Challenger
ALSO—The Sheik, Big Bill Miller, Joe
Blanchard, Doug Gilbert, The Stables, Duke
Nobel, Don Jewel
Al Hart, Matchmaker
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WRESTLING

AT MADISON
SQUARE GARDEN
MONDAY • 8:30
August 5, 1963



TITO MONTEZ

TAG TEAM MATCH

Tito
MONTEZ

Poncho
PICO

Western States Tag Team Champs
VS
Hans
STEINER and Suki
Yamamoto

"Bulldog" KENT VS Ham LEE

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Left: Miami, Florida

Wrestling at Cow Palace

Ray Stevens defends his U.S. heavyweight title against Bearcat Wright in the top match of a wrestling tripleheader tonight at the Cow Palace.

The two other main events pair Pepper Gomez against Art Neilsen and Red Bastein against Stan Neilsen. Wilbur Snyder and Carl Goch face Don Leo Jonathan and the Great Pamperso in a tag team match.

Other bouts: Don Denucci vs. Don Manoukian; Tex McKenzie vs. The Spoiler; Robert Duranton vs. Pete Martin.

Below: Denver, Colorado
8/23/63

Jonathan, Cortez Mix in Feature

Don Leo Jonathan and Hercules Cortez, a pair of king sized grapplers, tee off in tonight's non-televized main event at 7:30 at the Olympic Auditorium. Bearcat Wright and Mr. Moto join forces against Art Mahalik and the Blond Bomber in the KTLA-TV wind up. Other bouts:

El Toro vs. Pedro Sanchez; Bandit Lopez vs. Dick Chaney; Pancho Gonzales vs. Ted Christy.

Kleen, Rasputin Head Mat Card

New mat idol Mr. Kleen and Rasputin headline the return of big time wrestling to the Denver Auditorium Arena Friday night.

In another match the fast moving Funks (Dory Sr. and Dory Jr.) team up in a tag team bout with Sputnik Monroe and Tokio Tom.

Ricky Romero will tangle with Dick Dunn. Dory Funk Jr. and Sputnik Monroe will stage a Cajun knife fight.

Prince Kuhio Keeps Title

Massive Prince Kuhio, holder of the American professional wrestling title, used his favorite weapon, the belly smash, to gain a two-out-of-three fall verdict over Indian Billy White Wolf at the Portland Armory Monday night before 2,000 frenzied onlookers. The huge Hawaiian, tipping the scales at around 290 pounds, used his huge frame to gain the third and deciding fall and keep his crown. A series of belly smashes were more than the popular White Wolf could stand during the deciding fall.

White Wolf captured the first fall in the main event by using a series of tomahawk chops and a leg lock. White Wolf appeared to be well on the way to winning the second fall and the match using the same tactics. However, Billy made the mistake of belting referee Rocky Columbo with a tomahawk blow and Columbo awarded the fall to Kuhio by disqualification, much to the crowd's displeasure.

In the other feature, the "Destroyer" continued his unbeaten record in Portland by downing Shag Thomas. The Destroyer used a leg lock to topple Thomas after the latter missed a head butt and hit the steel pole at the ring corner instead.

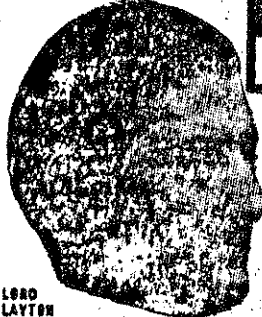
Louie Tillet On His Own

Louie Tillet has been told by wrestling promoter Morris Sigel that he will be on his own when he meets Ricki Starr in a return tangle at the Coliseum Friday night.

Last week Louie's brother, Jean, intruded and came close to causing a riot. Sigel signed the return at the insistence of an angry Starr and although Ricki refused to beg for favors Sigel has finally reached the point of barring Jean from the ringside.

"I'll have extra police on hand with orders to keep Jean from the ringside," said Sigel. "If necessary we'll handcuff him."

WRESTLING REMATCH!



LORD LAYTON

COBO ARENA

SATURDAY AUG 31

TAG TEAM MATCH

DICK the BRUISER
& LORD LAYTON

VS

FRITZ VON ERICH
& THE MASKED TERROR

Tough Tony Angelo, the Masked Terror's Manager, will be handcuffed to Doug Gilbert during the main event.

Plus These Top Matches:

Gentleman Jim Hady vs. Killer Kowalski; Mitsu Arakawa vs. Karl Gotch; Wilbur Snyder vs. Dr. Bill Miller; Frankie Tajaher vs. Dr. Jerry Graham; Midget Tanaka vs. Bob Nondor; Bob Stanley vs. Chuck Bruce; Gene Stanley vs. Frankie Brown.

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Above: Detroit, Michigan

Left: Portland, Oregon 8/26/63

Vociferous Lillian 'Helps' Gagne Dethrone Von Erich

Omaha's most vociferous lady rassling fan, Lillian Roth, drew a major assist in dethroning every one's meanie, Fritz Von Erich, to the high delight of 4,012 City Auditorium Arena fans Saturday night.

La Roth engaged the German bully boy in a face-making, arm-waving melee outside the ring just long enough to let Verne Gagne slip back onto the throne by disqualification.

Their match stood at a fall apiece when the claw hold disciple spun out of the ring almost into the lap of the belligerent Lillian.

When Fritz was still outside the legal battle scene at the count of 10, the ref hoisted Verne's paw—and the championship belt was hoisted to the Minnesotan. It was a mad house after that. But the decision stuck.

Mitsu Arakawa, the Jap-

anese claw specialist making his first Omaha appearance in two seasons, and Waldo Von Erich both lost in the semiwindup.

With their wild go-around at a fall apiece, each had an illegal hold locked fast—and when Referee Ernie Dusek couldn't break 'em he ruled a double disqualification.

This brought Brother Fritz into the ring to protest, but all he got for his trouble was an extra treatment of the Mitsu stomach claw.

The next auditorium show is booked for Saturday night, September 21. Other results:

Guy Mitchem and Don Whittier won two out of three falls from Danny Plechas and Rocky Hamilton in the tag match.

Jack Pesek drew in 15 minutes with Bob Geigel.

Above: Omaha, Nebraska 9/7/63

Left: Houston, Texas 9/6/63

NOTE: Prince Kuhio in later years (and other areas) became better known as Curtis Iaukea and then as King Curtis.

TUESDAY - 8.45

WRESTLING



WHIPPER WATSON

WHIPPER WATSON

vs.

HANS SCHMIDT

Seaman Art Thomas vs. Stan Stasiak

John Paul Henning vs. Fred Atkins
Firpo Zbyszko vs. Lorenzo Parente

exhibition of strength & science

BASEBALL STADIUM

Above: Hamilton, Ontario
9/10/63

THURSDAY - 8:30

U.S. OPEN TITLE



WHIPPER WATSON

Challenger

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Both Toronto, Ontario
L to R - 9/12 & 9/19/63

The Chiropractor

Wrestles Montez

A newcomer to Phoenix pro wrestling, The Chiropractor, gets a rugged assignment tomorrow when he meets Tito Montez at Madison Square Garden.

Don Arnold faces Jackie Young in another featured match.

Other bouts, the first getting under way at 8:30 p.m., are: Don (Bulldog) Kent vs. Kenny Ackles, Ken Lucas vs. Hans Steiner, Mad Mongol vs. Pancho Pico, and Sugi Yamamoto vs. Ham Lee.

Above: Phoenix, Arizona
9/16/63

Right: Rochester, N. Y.
9/14/63

Below: Columbus, Ohio 9/21/63

WRESTLING

Tomorrow - 8:30

TEAM TITLE

SEAMAN ART THOMAS

AND

JOHN PAUL HENNING

CHAMPIONS

vs.

JOHNNY VALENTINE

AND

THE BEAST

CHALLENGERS

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WRESTLING

Saturday, 8:30 P.M.

War Memorial

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ART THOMAS

Vs.

FIRPO ZBYSZKO



Tony Silipini

vs.

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Luke Graham

vs.

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Grapple Duo Bests Trio

The Destroyer and "Boom Boom" Mahalik captured Monday night's pro wrestling team match at the Armory when the former applied the decisive pin on the third fall to Herb Freeman.

Freeman's partners were Dan Hodge and Shag Thomas but the one-man edge in odds wasn't enough against the roughhouse pair.

In other matches Dick Dunn and Tony Borne drew, Gil Ane won over Mad Dog Vachone when the latter was disqualified and Abe Jacobs bested Don Duffy.

Above: Portland, Oregon
9/23/63



MEANIE — Hans Schmidt, the terrible Teuton, faces Killer Kowalski in rassling's main event Friday night at the War Memorial. Rochester's Johnny Barend meets Tony Simon, and Lord Littlebrook and Honey Bear face Beau Brummel and Dandy Andy Moore in a midget tag team scrap. Five bouts are listed.

Jonathan Duels With Von Goering

Fritz Von Goering and Don Leo Jonathan, a pair of king sized grapplers, clash in the feature event on tonight's wrestling exhibition card at the Olympic Auditorium at 8:30 p.m.

Other bouts: Steve and Bob Stanlee vs. Pedro Gonzales and Broadway Venus; El Toro vs. Red Bastien; Bearcat Wright vs. Bandit Lopez; Count Billy Varga vs. Chief Kit Fox.

Above: Los Angeles, Calif.
9/25/63

WRESTLING
AT MADISON
SQUARE GARDEN
MONDAY - 8:30
GRUDGE RETURN MATCH
KEN LUCAS VS HANS STEINER
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Above: Phoenix, Arizona
10/7/63

Below: Tampa, Florida 10/1/63

Tag Team Champs Win

TAMPA — World tag team champions, Hiro Matsuda and Keomoka, defeated the Assassins in a Texas death match at the Fort Homer Hesterly Armory last night.

The Matsuda-Keomoka duo required eight falls to gain the decision.

Chief Crazy Horse defeated Killer Karl Kox in a special grudge match.

Left: Rochester, N. Y.
10/4/63

Right: Toronto, Ontario
10/10/63

Below: Columbus, Ohio

CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING
FAIRGROUNDS COLISEUM
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IN TAG TEAM BATTLE
KARL GOTCH and DOUG GILBERT
— VS —
BIG BILL MILLER and THE MASKED TERROR
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Above: Buffalo, N. Y.

TOMORROW-8:30
WORLD TITLE



LOU THESZ

CHAMPION

vs.

JOHNNY VALENTINE

CHALLENGER

YUKON ERIC vs. THE GREAT
MEPHISTO

JOHN PAUL HENNING vs. FRED ATKINS

LORENZO PARENTE & TONY PARISI
vs. team of
THE DESTROYER & HANS SCHMIDT

TONY MARINO vs. BILLY "RED" LYONS
Exhibition of Strength and Science

MAPLE LEAF GARDENS

Buffalo,
New York
Immediate
right
(10/11/63)
and
lower
middle
(10/18/63)

Upper right
corner:
Tampa, Florida
10/15/63

NOTE: At the time
of this Florida
card, black men
were never put
against white men
in a pro-wrestling
match in Florida.
It was always
black against
black, white
against white.
Orientals were
allowed to meet
white opponents,
however.

Hans Schmidt Stops Art Thomas' Streak At Six Triumphs

Hans Schmidt Friday night ended Art Thomas' six-week local winning streak in the feature match of the Buffalo Wrestling Club's show before 3009 in Memorial Auditorium.

The 280-pound Thomas lost on a penalty fall at 15 minutes, 18 seconds. He was ruled out after he pushed referee Cappy Caprino to the floor. Thomas clashed with the referee over Schmidt's flagrant use of the "claw hold."

Billy Lyons won two straight falls to defeat the Great Mephisto. Lyons won the first fall on a disqualification when his opponent had him on the ropes and refused to break a stranglehold. Lyons won the second fall at 9:58 with a "sleeper hold."

Johnny Barrend used a "Boston Crab" and a "Knee-Drop" to subdue Tony Simon; Johnny Valentine defeated Tommy O'Toole in 6:15. Tony Parisi and Donn Lewin went 20 minutes to a draw in the opener.

Carl Gotch Vs. Stevens At Palace

Carl Gotch goes after Ray Stevens' heavyweight crown on tonight's Cow Palace wrestling card.

A co-main event pits Pepper Gomez and Jose Lothario against Mistu Arakawa and Kinji Shibuya, just back from a successful tour of the Orient.

Other bouts: The Daltons vs. Christy brothers; Don Denucci vs. Art Neilson; Mike Padousis vs. Andre Drapp; Dick Steinborn vs. Roy Collins.

The Cow Palace box office will open at 10 a. m. First match starts at 8:30 p. m.

Above: San Francisco,
California 10/12/63

Negro Man On Tuesday Mat Card

Bobo Brazil, Negro heavy-weight wrestling champion, will see action at Fort Hesterly Armory Tuesday night when promoter Cowboy Luttrall brings something new to the Tampa sports picture.



Brazil, a muscular 6-6 and 250 pounds, will meet former pro football player Tiny Tim Anderson, 6-4 and 245 pounds.

Brazil

Negro girl wrestlers have appeared here for several years but this is the first time a male Negro will grapple at the Armory.

Big Bob Orton meets Kentuckian Luke Brown in the main event.

Hiro Matsuda and Duke Keomuka meet Steve Bolus and Steve Kovacs in an Australian tag team match. Lord Nelson Royal meets Chief Crazy Horse in the 8:30 o'clock opener.

Below:
San Antonio, Texas

WRESTLING

WED., OCT. 16th

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VS.

STASIAK

MIDGET
GIRLS
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Alaskan Giant On Mat Program



YUKON ERIC HOLMBACH, powerful Alaskan heavyweight, will team with Billy Lyons for a tag-team event against Mike and Doc Gallagher in the feature of Friday's wrestling show in Memorial Auditorium. Hans Schmidt meets Art Thomas in the singles headliner.

Below: Detroit, Michigan 10/19/63

COBO ARENA WRESTLING
TONIGHT • 8:30 P.M.
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KARL GOTCH vs. CZAYA NANDOR
Conducted under European rules, by the round system
12 five minute rounds, best 2 out of 3 falls
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MAINE EVENT
TAG TEAM
MATCH
THE MASKED
TERROR
and
CYCLONE
NEGRA
VS.
Wilbur Snyder
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the famous scufflin **VS** **MIGUEL TORRES**
HILLBILLIES **and CHUCK BRUCE**
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WRESTLING

Mon., Oct. 21, 8:30 P.M.

Indian Style Death Match

BOTH MEN CHAINED TOGETHER
BY THE LEFT WRIST!

CHIEF WHITE

WOLF

(CROPPING CHOCTAW)

vs.

STANLEY

STAZIAK

(LARRUPIN YUGOSLAV)

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Above: Fort Worth,
Texas

Below: Omaha, Nebraska 11/2/63

Arakawa Wins as Snyder Lands Outside of the Ring

Mitsu Arakawa whipped another rassling foe in the Civic Auditorium ring Saturday night, this time Wilbur Snyder.

Arakawa got on the lower end of a Snyder attack and came out on top before 1,952 unhappy fans. With the match even at a fall apiece—Snyder took the first with an abdominal twist, Arakawa the second with his stomach claw—the men were in a speedy exchange when Snyder moved in.

The Japanese strong man ducked and Snyder went sprawling over the top rope and onto the concrete floor of the arena. The handsome Californian couldn't return

before referee Ernie Dusek counted ten.

Dan Evans, the lumberjack from upper New York State, made easy work of Krusher Kowalski in the semi-windup. Evans used his powerful bear hug to dispose of the Polish strong man in 8:20 of the first fall.

Kowalski couldn't recover from the effects of the back-breaking hold and had to forfeit the second fall.

Duke Hoffman, the Nebraska state heavyweight king, needed 24 minutes 22 seconds before he finally polished off newcomer Anthony Manos in the special event. Don Whittier and Paul Christy scrapped to a draw in the opener.

36th Wrestler Signed for Season



HELMUT VON HESS, the 36th pro wrestler signed by Promoter Pedro Martinez for this season, makes his debut in Memorial Auditorium Friday evening. He'll oppose Sailor Al Clark. Mike Gallagher goes against Art Thomas and Doc Gallagher meets Tony Marino.

Above: Buffalo, N. Y.
10/25/63

HODGE TO SCRAP CLANCY TONIGHT

Danny Hodge and Mike Clancy clash in a non-title match in the main event of Monday night's Cimarron wrestling card. Bell time for the four match program is 8:30 p.m.

A tag team match, slated for two out of three falls with a one-hour time limit, will be fought between four midget wrestlers. In this scrap, the brother team of Frenchy and Bernie Semard face Pee Wee Lopez and Chico Santana.

Jerry Kozak goes against Mario Galento in the one-fall, 30-minute top preliminary and Mr. Sasaki of Japan tangles with Ken Hill of Miami in the one-fall, 20-minute opener.

Tickets are on sale all day Monday at the Cimarron Arena box office, telephone LU 4-4667.

Above: Tulsa, Oklahoma
10/28/63

Below:
Fort Worth, Texas

WRESTLING

Mon., Nov. 4, 8:15 P.M.

**DOUBLE
MAIN EVENT
WORLD'S JUNIOR
HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE**

DANNY

HODGE

(CHAMPION)

vs.

LOUIE

TILLET

(FRENCH CHAMPION)

**TEXAS STATE
HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE**

CHIEF

WHITE WOLF

(CHAMPION)

vs.

DR. BIG

BILL MILLER

(CHALLENGER)

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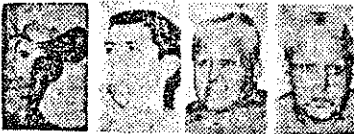
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Jesse James vs.
Joe Tomasso

Jack Lanza vs.
Tony Romano

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Wright, Bastien Face Blassie Team Tonight

Bearcat Wright and Red Bastien join forces as a tag team against Freddie Blassie and Don Leo Jonathan in tonight's mat feature at the Olympic Auditorium at 8 o'clock.

Other bouts: Count Billy Vase vs. Mr. Moto, Kintaro Oki vs. Fritz von Goring, Scuffin Hillbillies vs. Stanlee Brothers, Bill Watts vs. El Toro.

Above: Los Angeles,
California 11/6/63

WRESTLING

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN
Mon., Nov. 11, 8:30 p.m.

The Mongol vs. Frankie CANE

Tito Montez vs. Rudy Little Flower LOPEZ

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Above: Phoenix,
Arizona

Wrestling

Sat., Nov. 9th
8:30 P.M., War Memorial

Main Event

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Ontario
11/14/63

Left:
Rochester,
New York

Far right:
Portland,
Oregon
11/18/63

Lower right:
Raleigh, North
Carolina
11/19/63

THURSDAY — 8:30

WRESTLING

WORLD TITLE

LOU THESZ

vs.

BULLDOG BROWER

VALENTINE

and **HADY**

vs. TEAM OF

THE BEAST

and **MANAGER**

BABA

THE GIANT

7 FEET — 319 LBS.

vs.

BILLY

"RED" LYONS

Plus Exhibitions of Strength and Science

MAPLE LEAF GARDENS

Battle Won By Vachone

A roughneck grappler wound up as king of a mat battle royal at the Labor Temple Monday night when Maurice Vachone outlasted seven rivals in the main attraction of promoter Don Owen's weekly card.

Nick Bockwinkle was the first eliminated and was followed out of the ring by Jack Kiser, Gil Ane, Dick Dunn and Herb Freeman, leaving Don Duffy, Paddy Barrett and Vachone to scrap it out.

Duffy and Vachone ganged up on Barrett, but the nimble Irishman was able to elude their rushes and finally toss Duffy over the ropes.

In doing this, however, he left himself open and was pushed onto the apron by Vachone, who then as the last survivor was awarded the match.

In earlier bouts, Duffy pinned Kiser, Bockwinkle turned the same trick on Ane, Vachone lost on a foul to Freeman and Barrett took a one-fall verdict from Dunn.

WRESTLING

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and

BIG BOY BROWN

6'7"—258 lbs.

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Sensational Cowboy Bob Ellis
and Johnny Weaver
vs.

Bronco Lubich & Aldo Bogni
and Mgr. Homer O'Dell

WRESTLING

WED., NOV. 20th

FOR BRASS-KNUCKS
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CURRY
—vs.—
STASIAK

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Miss Byers | Miss Bottoms
& | &
Joe Blanchard | Jack Donovan

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Above:
San Antonio,
Texas

Gallaghers Win Mat Team Test

The Gallagher brothers—Mike and Doc — won over Argentine Rocca and Hans Schmidt in a wild-and-wooly main bout before 3,336 fans Friday night at Memorial Auditorium.

Mike Gallagher took the first fall, using an elbow paralyzer to subdue Schmidt at 3:52. After some hectic maneuvering around ringside prior to the second fall, Schmidt equalized the match by pinning Doc Gallagher with a series of body-slams and a press.

He took an official 48 seconds to do it, although the ringside antics lasted about three minutes.

Rocca softened up Mike Gallagher with a series of drop-kicks in the third fall, and collided with referee Cappy Carpino in the process knocking the official from the ring. When Carpino groggily regained the ring, Mike Gallagher was atop his foe and was awarded the win at 2:12.

In other bouts, Gentleman Art Thomas overpowered Bull Johnson at 5:52; Moose Cholak defeated Baron Gatoni in 3:57; Billy Lyons beat Angelo Savoldi in 4:49, and the midget team of Lord Littlebrook and Rollie the Hawk won over Andy Moore and Bull Brummel. Johnny Barend employed a drop-kick to beat Bill Osborne in 9:21.

Tag Match Heads Mat Card Tonight

Antonino (Argentina) Rocca, a master of scientific wrestling, and durable Hans Schmidt of the unorthodox school, pool their resources tonight to take on the Gallagher Brothers, Mike and Doc, in the headline event of the weekly wrestling show in Memorial Auditorium.

Rocca, in strange company with three mat villains operating at the same time, might well anticipate a wild match. No one could blame him if he discarded the scientific approach.

A Rocca-Schmidt alliance is a strange one. It came about as the result of last week's action when Hans objected to the Gallaghers' methods of disposing of Art Thomas, Rocca's partner for the occasion.

Tonight's card includes Moose Cholak whose 6-2, 320-pound hulk offers a ready target for Johnny Barend's flying drop kicks. Thomas and the Kalmikoffs, Ivan and Nikita, are other highlights.

The card:

Argentina Rocca (232), Buenos Aires vs. Hans Schmidt (252), Munich, Germany vs. Doc (232) and Mike (230) Gallagher, Bayonne, N.J. Best of three falls.
Gentleman Art Thomas (280), Madison, Wis. vs. The Great Mephisto (245), Germany. One fall, 30 min.
Moose Cholak (320), Moosehead, Me. vs. Johnny Barend (230), Rochester. One fall, 20 min.
Billy Lyons (235), Toronto vs. Nikita Kalmikoff (238), Russia. One fall, 20 min.
Ivan Kalmikoff (235), Russia vs. Tony Marino (235), Rochester. One fall, 20 min.
Man Mountain Cannon (340), Norcross, Ga. vs. Angelo Savoldi (227), Camden, N.J. One fall, 20 min.

Buffalo, N. Y.
above (11/22/63)
and
left (11/29/63)

Right:
Detroit, Michigan

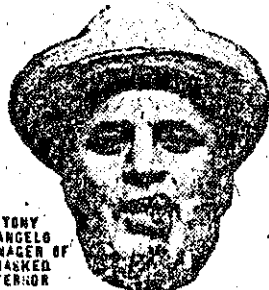
NOTE: Thesz defeated and unmasked The Terror, who turned out to be Jay (The Alaskan) York.

NOTE: The first of the two Buffalo shows was scheduled for what wound up being a day of infamy: President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, Texas, that day. Many mat cards were cancelled out of respect.

WRESTLING

COBO ARENA

SAT. NOV. 30th



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**vs. The Masked
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Either the Terror wins the
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**RAY STERN vs.
WILBUR SNYDER**

**I. KALMIKOFF vs.
GIANT BABA**

**DR. JERRY GRAHAM vs.
NIKITA KALMIKOFF**

WRESTLING
 Mon., Dec. 2, 8:15 P.M.

MAIN EVENT
Bull Curry
 vs.
Stan (The Bear) Stasiak

SPECIAL EVENT
Marvin Jones
 vs.
Stan Stasiak
 REFEREE—PAUL BOESCH

TAG TEAM MATCH
Joe Blanchard
 AND
Bob Boyer
 vs.
Duke Keomuka
 AND
Danny McShane

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WRESTLING
 Mon., Dec. 9, 8:15 P.M.

7 GREAT MATCHES
 11 MAN BATTLE ROYAL
 WINNER TO MEET

Danny Hodge
 IN MAIN EVENT

ENTRANTS:
Joe Blanchard
Lou Placio
Bull Curry
Stan Stasiak
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 Mon., Dec. 16, 8:15 P.M.

MAIN EVENT
 OLD FASHIONED TEXAS
 FEUD SETTLE
 LOSER PAINTED RED & GREEN
Bull Curry
 vs.
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SPECIAL ATTRACTION
 8 MAN TAG TEAM WAR
Joe Blanchard
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LOU THESZ

Lou Thesz, World Heavyweight Champion is coming tonight to Miami Beach Auditorium ready to defend his title against young and powerful Don Curtis, featuring Chris Dundee's wrestling program. Mark Lewin will meet sensational giant "Big O" Orton in a challenge bout. Eric Pomeroy and Ray Andrews join to test their skill against tough Frank Valois and Karl "Killer" Knox. Red Lyons will meet Lord Nelson Royal. Reservations can be made at JE 8-4304 or JE 1-0477. NO INCREASE IN PRICES.

THURSDAY—8:30

WRESTLING

TEAM TITLE
JIM HADY
 &
JOHNNY VALENTINE
 Champions
 vs.
DOC & MIKE GALLAGHER
 Challengers

GIANT BABA
 vs.
YUKON ERIC

Plus exhibition of the week
MAPLE LEAF GARDENS

Mat Giants Featured On Card Tonight

The super-dreadnaughts of pro-wrestling dominate tonight's weekly program in Memorial Auditorium as Promoter Pedro Martinez offers a card headed by Moose Cholak (340) vs. Hans Schmidt (252). The Golden Moose posts an eight-bout unblemished record against the threat of the German challenger.

The high spot of the leadup program will be the unveiling of the 311-pound, 7-foot, 1-inch Shohel Baba of Japan who meets the Great Mephisto, a 252-pounder. Advance word from Buffalo's Dick Beyer, who crossed paths with the Jap, is to look for far more excitement than was provided by The Great Togo in the early '50s or more recently by the Keomuka Brothers, Duke and Sato.

Further emphasis to Martinez' super-dreadnaught parade comes with the appearance of 280-pound Art Thomas in the tag feature. He teams with Billy Lyons for action against the Gallaghers, Mike and Doc.

The card:

Hans Schmidt (252), Munich, Germany vs. Moose Cholak (340), Moosehead, Me. One fall, finish.
Art Thomas (280), Madison, Wis. and Billy Lyons (235), Toronto vs. Mike (230) and Doc (232) Gallagher, Bayonne, N.J. One fall, 30 minute time limit.
Shohel Baba (311), Japan vs. The Great Mephisto (252) Berlin, Germany. One fall, 30 min.
Johnny Barend (235), Rochester vs. Bull Johnson (229), Charlotte, N.C. One fall, 20 min.
Ivan Kalmikoff (228), Russia vs. Donn Lewin (220), Buffalo. One fall, 20 min.

Below:
Portland, Oregon
12/30/53

Tag Tandem Risks Skein

Tony Borne and Soldat Gorky will be out to stop the undefeated tag team combination of Nick Kozak and Nick Bockwinkle in the main event in wrestling action at the Labor Temple Monday night.

Supporting bouts pit Paddy Barrett against Don Duffy, Lou Tillett against Jack Kiser and Wild Bill Savage against Haru Sasaki.

Action begins at 8:30.

New Year's Eve

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8:15 P.M.

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The Mighty Kentuckians

TINY

ANDERSON

4'10" - 340 Lbs.

and

vs. TOMMY O'TOOLE

& TOM BRADLEY

BIG BOY

BROWN

4'7" - 358 Lbs.

• EL GAUCHO

vs. TED EVANS

Above: Raleigh, North Carolina 12/31/53

TOMORROW - 8.45



5 - BIG BOUTS - 5

JOHNNY VALENTINE

vs.

GIANT BABA

U.S. TITLE

THE BEAST

Champion

vs.

BILLY 'Red' LYONS

ILIO DI PAOLO

vs.

HANS SCHMIDT

JIM HADY

vs.

FRED ATKINS

ERIC FROELICH

vs.

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Hamilton, Ontario 12/17/53

Below: Buffalo, N. Y. 12/27/53

DiPaolo Spots 88 Pounds To Cholak

Ilio DiPaolo will be spotting Moose Cholak some 88 pounds and several inches in height when they come to grips in the feature event of the Buffalo Wrestling Club show in Memorial Auditorium Friday night. But it isn't causing DiPaolo any undue concern.

If anything, the crowd-pleasing Italian, making his first start on U.S. soil since his three-month stay in Japan, prefers to grapple big men. The Moose towers 6-feet, 3-inches and punishes the scales at 340 pounds.

"I'd prefer opponents of Cholak's type for all my matches," Ilio said. "The Moose offers a ready target for two of my favored offensive maneuvers, the drop kicks and flying head scissors."

DiPaolo points to his conquest of Big Bill Miller here in September, his last bout before leaving for Japan. Miller measures up to Cholak in both height and weight and Ilio did a workmanlike job on him.

The Gallaghers vs. Billy Lyons and Johnny Barend will be the heavyweight tag feature, while the midget matmen headed by Lord Littlebrook will be in a second two-platoon bout. There will be two more singles matches to round out the program.